



Youth Leadership OPPORTUNITY!

37th Annual Elders & Youth Conference

Asirqamek Apruciluta (Sugt'stun)

Asisqamek Aprut'liluta (Alutiiq)

"We Are Making a Good Path"

Anchorage, Alaska – First Alaskans Institute's 37th Annual Elders & Youth Conference (Elders & Youth) theme, "**Asirqamek Apruciluta**" (Sugt'stun, Chugach), "**Asisqamek Aprut'liluta**" (Alutiiq) assures us that we are moving in the right direction – physically in our real world today and symbolically in life. Its translation into English is "We Are Making a Good Path." This theme exemplifies our ancestral responsibilities to protect and advance our peoples and communities, including through this time of COVID-19 and the racial justice transformation that is happening right now as well. From the beginning of this current pandemic, our Elders have informed the critical decision making of Tribes, communities, families, and individuals by sharing the brilliance of our peoples' ways of persevering and thriving throughout history. This theme amplifies a simple truth – we are still here and we are moving forward by protecting our ways of life, celebrating our cultures and our diversity, challenging injustice, and strengthening the many beautiful ways we are good relatives to one another.

This year we will experience *virtual conference* and navigate this experience together. Although the registration fee is eliminated this year, CFI would like to register 4 the Chenega youth (14-24) to mobilize with a common purpose by enhancing the leadership development experience and dialog with our Chenega Elders. If you would like to participate with CFI, please fill out the attached registration form and the Shareholder Development Manager with register you as a participant.

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