Project Summary

The White Pine Association received a Quadricentennial Legacy Grant from the CVNHPLCBP to host a summit of Abenaki leaders from throughout northern New England. The Vermont Indigenous Summit, was held at the ECHO Lake Aquarium and Science Center in Burlington, Vermont. The summit consisted of workshops, presentations and networking sessions for regional tribal and cultural leaders, and associated public programming to take advantage of the residency of chiefs, elders and cultural officers from Indigenous bands throughout the far Northeast. A focus of the summit was to have native people offer guidance in how new, but fragmented cultural information can be linked into a larger, more coherent spiritual/technological system.