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Building an ethical foundation

Contacting your community of interest with grant money in hand to begin curation and digitization.

• Community contacts institution with concept
• Reach out to the community of interest BEFORE the idea and grant proposal.

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- Familiarize yourself with cultural sensitivities that may be present.

- **Ask:** What would be most beneficial for your community?
  
  - Be upfront with any institutional restrictions (only staff can ingest, unable to IP restrict items).
Uncomfortable thoughts

• How much access will your partners have with the archive and metadata?

• Does the content have the potential to be harmful, spiritually or physically?

• Have guidelines for how the collection is to be handled beyond your tenure.

Over time, be prepared to:

• Repatriate
• Restrict
• Hide
• Remove items
Research Ethics:

- Maori: Te Ara Tika
- Tribal IRB’s (example: Tohono O'odham Nation): http://www.tonation-nsn.gov/ton-irb/
Questions?

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