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As an active member of the Indigenous Journalists Association, I know the impact it has on journalism in Indian Country as well as in mainstream news through the programs it offers. For the organization to continue its mission to enrich journalism and promote Native cultures, it needs funding. As a citizen of the Cherokee Nation as well as an employee, and if elected to the board, I will seek donations from the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council and Cherokee Nation Businesses. If I recall correctly, in my past stints on the board, CN and CNB partially funded the student projects (now Indigenous Journalism Fellowship) while I was chair of the education committee as well as lead mentor. Along with soliciting the CN and its entities, I would ask numerous corporations within Oklahoma and surrounding states if they would donate to IJA. I believe that no donation is too small, and any amount of funding helps the organization.

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