

URGENT: Tribes must submit “Interim” Report by JULY 17, 2020

Tribal recipients of CARES Act Funding must submit an “interim” report to the Treasury by July 17, 2020 detailing the money spent on the CARES Act eligible costs from March 1 to June 30, 2020. A spreadsheet was distributed to recipients to use in reporting costs. If tribes need access to the spreadsheet, please contact CILS and we can ensure tribes have the spreadsheet. Tribes will still be required to submit a quarterly report for March 1 to June 30 detailing how the CARES Act funds were spent. The “interim” report is different in that it seeks **all eligible costs** incurred during this reporting period. Tribes should report all CARES Act eligible expenses incurred from March 1 to June 30 in the “interim” report. These broad eligible categories are:

- a. Amount transferred to other governments;
- b. Amount spent on payroll for public health and safety employees;
- c. Amount spent on budgeted personnel and services diverted to a substantially different use;
- d. Amount spent to improve telework capabilities of public employees; e. Amount spent on medical expenses;
- f. Amount spent on public health expenses;
- g. Amount spent to facilitate distance learning;
- h. Amount spent providing economic support;
- i. Amount spent on expenses associated with the issuance of tax anticipation notes; and
- j. Amount spent on items not listed above.

The “interim” report must be submitted to the Treasury at CARES@oig.treas.gov by **July 17, 2020**. The July 2, 2020 Treasury Memo can be found at: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/IG-Coronavirus-Relief-Fund-Recipient-Reporting-Record-Keeping-Requirements.pdf>

How Can CILS Help?

CARES Act – CILS staff in determining if specific expenditures are CARES Act eligible expenses. .

Grants (see below) - CILS staff can discuss whether the tribe is eligible for a grant and in preparing documentation.

For assistance contact the CILS office closest to your tribal location at:

Escondido Office
(760) 746-8941

Bishop Office
(760) 873-3581

Eureka Office
(707) 443-8397

Sacramento Office
(916) 978-0960

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Reminder: July 17 US Commission on Civil Rights Public Briefing on assessing COVID-19 and the Impact of Federal Broken Promises to Native Americans.

Watch the livestream event July 17, 2020 at 7:00 A.M. (PST) at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/USCCR/videos>

The IRS needs help reaching low-income and no-income individuals who have not received an Economic Impact Payment.

Many non-filers have not received an Economic Impact Payment under the CARES Act. Specific groups of people who may have not received the Payment are:

- Lower-income households without a filing requirement: (a) individuals with income below \$12,200 or (b) married couples with income below \$24,400.
- People with no income
- Part-time workers
- Self-employed or working the gig economy
- Students who can't be claimed as dependents.

Deadline for non-filers is October 15, 2020. Please use the special non-filers tool at: <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/non-filers-enter-payment-info-here>.

NEW CDSS All-County Letter Related to Foster Care Eligibility and Funding During COVID-19

On July 9, 2020, CDSS issued ACL-20-81 addressing frequently asked questions such as how to handle Economic Impact Payments distributed to non-minor dependents and questions related to foster care funding during COVID-19. The ACL can be found at: <https://cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/Additional-Resources/Letters-and-Notices/ACLs/2020/20-81.pdf>.

TRIBAL FUNDING RESOURCES

National Indian Health Board – 18 COVID-19 Tribal Telehealth Mini-Grants. Tribes, tribal organizations or inter-tribal consortia eligible for one of eighteen grants for amounts up to \$10,000 each to assist with building capacity and responding to telehealth services and needs. Apply online at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TribalTelehealth>.

DEADLINE July 21, 2020.

Don't forget...

IHS Tribal Management Grant Funding Opportunity. This competitive capacity building grant is available to federally recognized tribes and tribal organization with the purpose of developing infrastructure and analyzing current programs to improve management and organization systems. More information can be found at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/06/23/2020-13470/office-of-direct-service-and-contracting-tribes-tribal-management-grant-program>.

DEADLINE August 24, 2020.

FCC – COVID-19 Telehealth Program. Provides eligible health care programs support in purchasing telecommunications, information services, and connected devices necessary to provide telehealth services to patients in response to COVID-19. More information can be found at: <https://www.fcc.gov/covid-19-telehealth-program>.

There is currently no deadline.

Administration for Community Living (ACL) – The CARES Act: Support Older Adults with People of Disabilities in the Community During COVID-19 Emergency. Grant will fund home-delivered meals, care services in the home, respite care and other support to families and caregivers, and more. For more information: <https://acl.gov/news-and-events/announcements/supporting-community-living-during-covid-19-cares-act-and-civil>.

There is no deadline.

TRIBAL COVID-19 RESOURCES

For updates on COVID-19 and Resources for Tribal Communities see the following links:

State of California:

A one-stop page collecting information related to COVID-19 can be located at:
<https://covid19.ca.gov/>.

CDSS Tribal Affairs: COVID-19 resources for California tribal communities:
<https://cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/cdss-programs/tribal-affairs/tribal-affairs-covid-19>.

Federal Resources:

A one-stop page for Federal COVID-19 information:
<https://www.coronavirus.gov/>.

Indian Health Service:
<https://www.ihs.gov/coronavirus/>.

Health and Human Services:
<https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/index.html>.

Centers for Disease Control: Providing information on how to protect yourself and what to do if you are sick. Also contains the most update-to-date information on the virus and medical news related to the virus: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>.

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response:
<https://www.phe.gov/emergency/events/COVID19/Pages/default.aspx>.

Bureau of Indian Affairs: Includes resources for tribal governments when responding to COVID-19:
<https://www.bia.gov/coronavirus>.

Treasury: For more information on CARES Act funding and distributions.
<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments>.

Tribal Specific Webpages with Daily Updates

NCAI: <http://www.ncai.org/covid-19>.

TPLI: <https://www.home.tlpi.org/covid-19>.

NIWRC:
<https://www.niwrc.org/news/resources-response-coronavirus-covid-19>.

NICWA: <https://www.nicwa.org/coronavirus/>

NIHB: <https://www.nihb.org/covid-19/>

Turtletalk: <https://turtletalk.blog/covid-19-tribal-documents/> and <https://turtletalk.blog/tag/covid-19/>.

NAFOA: https://nafoa.org/coronavirus?utm_source=Nafao+Mailing+List&utm_campaign=09967d5081-newsletter-33020&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_dcdb537bb2-09967d5081-58514507.