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### **Reminder: Coronavirus Relief Fund Reporting for March 1 – June 30, 2020 due SEPTEMBER 1!**

Tribes are required to submit their “costs incurred” from March 1 to June 30 through GrantSolutions.

Also, in order to access the GrantSolutions portal, tribes must identify three (3) individuals: two (2) designees (preparers) to input quarterly data, and one (1) official authorized to certify the data is true.

If you need assistance, contact CILS!

### **Reminder: FCC Extends 2.5 GHz Rural Tribal Priority Window**

The FCC’s Wireless Telecommunications Bureau extended the Rural Tribal Priority Window for 2.5 GHz spectrum applications to **September 2, 2020.**

If you need assistance, CILS can help!

## Update on Proposed Federal Legislation

In last week’s news brief, we provided an update on the piecemeal legislation proposed by the Senate. To date, no progress has been made to provide further relief during the COVID-19 Pandemic. As of last Friday, the unemployment assistance providing an additional \$600.00 to individuals expired.

## Possible Executive Orders Relating to COVID-19

In a tweet on Thursday, August 6, 2020, the President, responding to delays in legislation, stated that he directed his staff to work on Executive Orders regarding the “Payroll Tax Cut, Eviction Protections, Unemployment Extensions, and Student Loan Repayment Options.” National Indian organizations warn tribes to be aware of executive orders as the President is targeting unused CARES Act funding, specifically Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) to fund the unemployment assistance. We will continue to monitor this development.

## California Updates:

On July 24, 2020, Gov. Newsom announced new support for California workers: <https://tinyurl.com/y3peaa4e>.

1. New Program: Housing for the Harvest - will provide safe, temporary isolation spaces for agricultural and farmworkers who test positive or were exposed to the virus.
2. Increased outreach on wearing a mask to stop the spread of COVID-19.
3. Commitment to new legislation to expand paid sick leave.
4. New Employer Playbook released to help employers safely reopen. Can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/yxzvg4et>.

On July 22, 2020, Gov. Newsom announced purchase of additional protective masks. More on the update can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/yxhhr9gm>.

**NEED PPE?** CalOES Office of Tribal Affairs is taking orders. Send requests to [tribalaffairs@caloes.ca.gov](mailto:tribalaffairs@caloes.ca.gov). In your email include the following the intended use of PPE you are requesting, (e.g. protect vulnerable population, medical surge, safety planning). Order deadlines are Fridays at 3PM – any order after this time will be added to the next week’s order. Allow 7-14 business days for processing and delivery.

### **Tribal School Readiness Mini-Grant 2020 – Applications due August 28, 2020.**

National Indian Health Board (NIHB) announced funding for Tribes and Tribal Organizations seeking to strengthen school preparation and readiness for safe operations during the COVID-19 pandemic. These \$2,000.00 awards may be used to fund activities for one or more of the following categories: (1) materials and equipment acquisition, (2) facilities and infrastructure, (3) outreach and education, (4) training and technical assistance, and (5) evaluation and assessment. The project period runs from September 1 through October 31, 2020. To apply:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/F6KJLPH>.

## **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=Nafoa+Mailing+List&utm\\_campaign=09967d5081-newsletter-33020&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_dcdb537bb2-09967d5081-58514507](https://nafoa.org/coronavirus?utm_source=Nafoa+Mailing+List&utm_campaign=09967d5081-newsletter-33020&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_dcdb537bb2-09967d5081-58514507).