

General Welfare Exclusion Housing Rehabilitation Program

Formerly Over-Income Rehabilitation Grant

This program funds over-income families with a \$10,000 grant for construction rehabilitation on the primary residence they own.

The over-income grant is for eligible applicants and is limited to one grant per person/address/household. If you have already received a General Welfare Exclusion Housing Rehabilitation Grant, you are not eligible to apply.

If you have received services for the following programs, you are not eligible to apply for the General Welfare Exclusion Housing Rehabilitation Grant for five years: Down Payment Assistance, NAHASDA Rehabilitation Program, NAHASDA Elders Replacement Program, NAHASDA Rehabilitation Program for Elder Tribal Members, NAHASDA Rehabilitation Program for Disabled Tribal Members, Homeownership Program/Mutual Help and BIA Self Governance.

Rehabilitation refers to repairs or renovations to the home, but does not include appliances, saunas, hot tubs, swimming pools, driveways, fences, etc. Over-income refers

to Tribal members whose income exceeds the income limits set by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA). These are listed below:

1	2	3	Base 4	5	6	7	8
\$42,280	\$48,320	\$54,360	\$60,400	\$65,232	\$70,064	\$74,896	\$79,728

Applications, including proof of current annual income, enrollment and proof of homeownership with the Tribal member's name on it, must be submitted to the Housing office by Friday, July 31, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. Applications received after that date and time will not be accepted by the Siletz Tribal Housing Department.

Qualified applicants will be placed in the lottery drawing that will be held in August on a date approved by the Tribal Council.

If you would like an application or have any questions, please call Jeanette Aradoz at 800-922-1399, ext. 1316, or 541-444-8316.

Comment period open for potential housing grant

The Siletz Tribal Housing Department (STHD) is applying for a USDA Rural Housing Preservation Grant for low- to very low-income Tribal members' housing rehabilitation needs.

The grant is used for rehabilitation or repair of sub-standard housing conditions and is restricted to rural areas such as Siletz. This is a competitive grant with the maximum grant amount of \$50,000.

The general public is allowed to comment on this application intent. Comments are due by June 16, 2020.

If interested, send comments to Robert Smith at roberts@ctsi.nsn.us or Robert Smith, Siletz Tribal Housing Department, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Report shellfish harvests to Natural Resources

Spring low tides herald clam, crab and mussel gathering season. Tribal members using a 2020 Cultural Shellfish Gathering license and permit are reminded to report shellfish harvests to the Tribe's Natural Resources Department within three business days of harvest.

Reports must include the harvest date, type and number of shellfish gathered on each trip. To report your harvest, please leave your name, phone number and details by calling 800-922-1399, ext. 1227, or 541-444-8227.


Shellfish safety hotline

Domoic acid levels make clams and crab unsafe to eat. Before clamming or crabbing, check the Oregon Shellfish Hotline, 800-448-2474, for safety and conservation closures.

USDA distribution dates for June; change in procedures

Siletz			shopping lists and bag your own food. If this changes, we will post it on the warehouse doors.
Monday	June 1	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	
Tuesday	June 2	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	
Wednesday	June 3	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	
Thursday	June 4	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	
Friday	June 5	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	

Salem			We will accept hand-delivered application packets, but the preferred method of delivery is still email or fax.
Monday	June 15	1:30 – 6:30 p.m.	
Tuesday	June 16	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.	
Wednesday	June 17	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.	
Thursday	June 18	By appt only	

LIKE us on Facebook at Siletz Tribal FDPIR. We would like to see more people sharing their recipes on our FB page. 

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Fax: 541-444-8306 or 503-391-4296

Sammy Hall, Waehouseman/Clerk
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A message to all USDA clients

We are coming out of the COVID-19 virus protocols. We will allow one client into the building at a time to do your

Tribe's excess surplus sale canceled

The Siletz Tribe's excess surplus sale that had been scheduled for May 28 has been canceled. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

Youth Antlerless Elk Hunt Applications Due July 2, 2020 2 Tags

Hunt runs from Aug. 1 to Dec. 31

Applications available on the Tribal website under Natural Resources or call the number below to have one mailed to you beginning June 1

Open to Tribal youth age 12-17 who have a valid Hunter Safety Card

Call Natural Resources Manager Mike Kennedy at 541-444-8232 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1232, if you have questions

For more information about the Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society, visit siletzartsheritage.org.

CTSI Jobs

Tribal employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.

Note: "Open Until Filled" vacancies may close at anytime. The Tribe's Indian Preference policy will apply. Tribal government will not discriminate in selection because of race, creed, age, sex, color, national origin, physical handicap, marital status, politics, membership or non-membership in an employee organization.

CTSI constantly is looking for temporary employees to cover vacancy, vacations, maternity leave and extended sick leave. If you are looking for temporary work that can last from 2-12 weeks, please submit an application for the temp pool.

How to access language materials online

Ch'ee-la xwii-t'i (Greetings everyone)

To assist Tribal members during this time of social distancing and the interruption of our normal schedules, this tutorial on how to access language materials and recordings from the Tribal website has been developed. I hope you and your families are safe and healthy during this time. Hopefully many folks can access these materials from the safety of their homes.

Go to www.ctsi.nsn.us. Enter in your roll number and last four digits of your Social security number to log on to the Tribal member access area.

Click on "Our Heritage." On the drop down, click on "Language."

Lots of written and recorded materials are available in this section. The Nuu-wee-ya' (Our Words) Language Dictionary is on this page. You can click on the selection A to Z to look up written English language words and their Athabaskan equivalent.

Also on this page are Siletz Dee-ni Volumes 1, 2 & 3. Just click on "Study Materials" and scroll down. Volume 1 contains lessons on body parts, counting, relatives, foods and table talk.

In these lessons, the written word on the screen is accompanied by audio of the word's pronunciation. Volume 2 contains animals, birds, colors, fish, greetings and

goodbyes, insects, and trees and brush. Volume 3 contains lessons on sentence structure and word order.

Each lesson has a complete practical alphabet sound chart. All three volumes have a word document and audio recording for each lesson. Tests are available if you want to use them.

To access the Siletz Talking Dictionary, click on Siletz Language website. Drop down three lines and click on www.siletzlanguage.org, go to the Talking Dictionary tab and click on it. The Siletz Talking Dictionary Page will appear.

Just below the words "Search for" is an empty white box. Type in the word you are searching for and click on the "search"

button just below the box. The word and the Athabaskan equivalent will appear just below the search box. To hear the word being spoken, simply click on the red ear icon on the left side of the page.

You may have to wait a few seconds for the page and sound to load, depending on your connectivity. Some of the words also have pictures.

Also on the www.siletzlanguage.org website are 14 Language learning videos and many other culture-related videos, materials and curriculum.

For more information, contact Bud Lane at 800-922-1399, ext. 8320; 541-444-8320; or budl@ctsi.nsn.us.