

Youth Sponsorship Application

- The Youth Sponsorship can be used two times per calendar year for a total maximum amount of \$200. This program is available to all enrolled Tribal students regardless of location. Residency in Oregon is not a requirement.
- The program has open enrollment (can be accessed at any time throughout the year, however applications must be received by the Youth Education Department no later than the first Friday in December. This allows enough time for the application to be processed and the check to be issued within the same calendar year. Any application received after the first week in December will be applied toward the next calendar year based on funding availability.
- The Sponsorship can only be applied directly to a vendor of a structured activity that focuses on education, sports, recreation, enrichment or culture. A list of approvable/non-approvable items for the Sponsorship program is attached. No reimbursements will be made to parents except for extreme extenuating circumstances, and at the sole discretion of the Youth Education Department. Unless prior arrangements are made between the parent and the Youth Education Department, payment will be made directly to the vendor. In the event of an approved reimbursement arrangement, the completed application must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of payment in order to be approved.

There is no guarantee an application will be approved even though it has been completed and submitted. Upon review of the completed application packet, the Youth Education Department reserves to the right to approve and/or deny any application at its sole discretion.

Eligibility Guidelines:

1. Youth must be an enrolled CTGR Tribal member.
2. Youth must be currently enrolled in K-12th grade or an alternative form of certified and recognized educational program.

Returned Youth Sponsorship Application Packet Must Include:

1. Completed Youth Sponsorship Application
2. Printed information on the program in which the youth wants to attend (camps, tutorial services, structured educational activity, recreational, athletic programs, etc.). This information must include whom to make the check to, address, cost, and the description of the program/service. Examples may include a brochure, flier, invoice for services, printout from Web site, etc...
3. Verification of school or educational enrollment Verification needs to be a letter from a school or school district on official letterhead stating that the youth is currently enrolled in their educational program. In the event that a student is applying for a sponsorship during the summer months, verification of enrollment of the previous academic year is required. Any verification submitted must include a signature and contact information. Report cards will not be accepted.
4. Verification of Tribal enrollment A copy of CTGR Tribal I.D. card or an official letter from CTGR Member Benefits (503-879-2490) stating that the youth is an enrolled CTGR Tribal member is required.
5. Completed W-9 Form This form verifies either the Tax ID or Social Security number of whom the check will be made to. A completed and signed form is required for each separate application.

All of the information listed above must be received in one mailing to ensure a timely response. If the application packet is not complete when received, the applicant will be notified by telephone, e-mail, and/or mail as to what additional documents are needed to process your application.

Allow three weeks to process your completed application once it is received in the Youth Education office, longer if the application packet is not complete. Sponsorships are tracked using the date the check is mailed from CTGR Youth. Sponsorships are available on a first-come, first served basis dependent upon funding availability. The student/parent is solely responsible for all contact with the vendor (application, registration, any documentation required by the program/service). Youth Education will mail the check directly to the vendor once we receive the check from the Accounting Department.

Item Categories for Sponsorship

Below is a list of examples of items which can or can't be approved under the Youth Sponsorship program. Please be advised that this list serves only as examples. The Youth Education Department reserves the right to approve or deny any application at its sole discretion.

Approvable Items	Non-Approvable Items
Academic Services Tutoring, Joint-Enrollments, Classes, Conferences, Trainings, Registration Fees, Textbooks	Food (Personal, School Meals, etc...)
Athletic Programs Registration Fees, Membership Fees, Required Uniforms/Supplies	Clothing *Unless required for a structured class
Enrichment Programs Music, Art, Dance, Summer Camps	Personal Travel Vacations, Family Outings, Fuel Costs
Memberships YMCA, Boy/Girl Scouts, Aquatic Centers, Fitness Centers	Fines Overdue Library Books, Meal Charges, etc...
Culture Classes, Required Supplies for Cultural Classes	
School Field Trips Local, State/Country-Wide, International	
School Services Student Fees	

**** Supply costs are only approved if documentation is provided showing that the requested supplies are required through the structured activity/organization. Again, this is at the sole discretion of the Youth Education Department.

Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority



Applications being accepted for grandfamily housing

A grandfamily is defined as: A family, whose head or spouse is Elder, containing minor children in the legal long-term custody or guardianship of the Elder. A grandfamily shall not include any other adults under the age of 55 (including the parent(s) of the minor children).

If your family fits this definition, qualifies as low income and you are interested in moving into our new grandfamily units, which are part of Elders' Housing Phase II, we started accepting applications on Jan. 2.

You can pick up an application at the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority offices at 28450 Tyee Road, Grand Ronde, Ore., 97347. If you cannot come into the offices to pick up your application you may call the front desk at 503-879-2401 and an application will be mailed to you.

Make sure you specifically request the application for "grandfamily housing."

Applications will be handled on a first-come, first-serve basis. It is important that applicants provide all requested documentation at the time they submit the application.

If you have any questions, you may contact Leon Ramos or Deborah Kroeker at Grand Ronde Tribal Housing, 503-879-2401. We look forward to working with you.

Down Payment Assistance Program

The Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority (GRTHA) has 2013 Down Payment Assistance available for applicants with moderate to low incomes. Although the budget for Tribally funded Down Payment Assistance has been committed for 2013, HUD funds may be available for qualified Tribal applicants whose gross household income either meets, or is less than the guidelines below:

Family size/Gross income	
1	\$40,900
2	\$46,750
3	\$52,600
4	\$58,400
5	\$63,100
6	\$67,750
7	\$72,450
8	\$77,100

Please call Victoria Jones, Homeownership Coordinator, at 503-879-1465 to pre-qualify for HUD funded assistance.

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on the specific details that were discussed.

After the presentation, Asghar fielded six questions and comments from Tribal members in attendance.

During the November General Council meeting, Asghar made a similar, albeit briefer and less in-depth, presentation about Tribal economic development efforts also in an executive session.

Since the presentation was held in executive session, it was not streamed live on the Tribal Web site for remote viewing. Tribal members who would like a copy of the presentation should contact

Economic Development Administrative Assistant Jilene Mercier at Jilene.mercier@grandronde.org or 503-879-1315.

In other business, Gladys Hobbs, Duane Wheeler and Julie Duncan were elected to the Elders Committee.

Tribal guest David McDougall and Tribal Elders Linda Brandon and Louise Medeiros won the \$50 door prizes and Dan Johnson won the \$100 door prize.

In addition, Jordan LaChance, Robert Wiggs and Claudia Leno won donated jewelry crafted by Tribal Council member Jon A. George.

The February General Council meeting will be held 11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 3, in the Tribal Community Center. ■