

Public Notice Open for Comment

This is a Public Notice for Comment on the Grand Ronde Tribe's application for 2021 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Funding. The Grand Ronde Tribe obtained a LIHEAP grant last year from the Division of Energy Assistance within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This grant program assists income eligible Tribal members with energy assistance (utility bills, firewood, etc.), cooling assistance, crisis energy assistance, and weatherization (e.g. furnace repair, caulking, insulation).

The Tribe's LIHEAP service area includes Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Multnomah, Washington, Tillamook and Clackamas counties. If you are interested in obtaining services from the current program, please contact Social Services at 800-242-8196 for energy assistance and Tribal Housing at 503-879-2405 for weatherization.

The Tribe is taking public comment on the 2021 LIHEAP application and plan and the associated policies that are to be submitted by Sept. 1, 2020. The latest draft will be available for review at the Social Services Department at the Community Services Center starting Aug. 14, 2020. You also may call the Planning & Grants Development Department at 503-879-2250 with your comments on the plan or to obtain more information about the plan.

Energy Assistance Matrix – Grand Ronde Tribes
Income Eligibility Guidelines & Assistance Amounts FY 2020, (starting 11/1/2019)

Household Size	Fuel Type A: Electricity, oil, propane, wood		(Household Income at 60% Oregon SMI*)				Cooling Assistance electricity
	Annual Income	Monthly Income	Regular Benefit	Crisis Assistance Heating*	Crisis Assistance Cooling	Crisis Year-Round	
1	0 – 11,172	0 – 931	\$530	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$500
	11,173 – 25,983	932 – 2,165	\$425	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$400
2	0 – 14,610	0 – 1,216	\$530	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$500
	14,611 – 33,978	1,217 – 2,831	\$425	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$400
3	0 – 18,047	0 – 1,503	\$530	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$550
	18,048 – 41,972	1,504 – 3,497	\$425	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$450
4	0 – 21,484	0 – 1,789	\$530	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$550
	21,485 – 49,967	1,790 – 4,163	\$425	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$450
5	0 – 24,923	0 – 2,076	\$550	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$550
	24,924 – 57,962	2,077 – 4,830	\$440	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$450
6	0 – 28,360	0 – 2,362	\$550	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$550
	28,361 – 65,956	2,363 – 5,496	\$440	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$450
7	0 – 29,005	0 – 2,416	\$550	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$550
	29,006 – 67,455	2,417 – 5,621	\$440	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$450
8	0 – 29,649	0 – 2,469	\$575	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$550
	29,650 – 68,954	2,470 – 5,746	\$460	\$600	\$400	\$800	\$450

The higher benefit sum shown is set at maximum income levels of 43% of the maximums for that household size. Beyond 8 in a household, for each added household member add \$1,499 annually or \$124.92 monthly.

Year Round Crisis Assistance Cap: The same household in the same grant year (10/1 - 9/30) can not receive more than \$800 in assistance. So, if a household receives the maximum \$600 for crisis heating assistance then they can only receive \$200 for cooling crisis assistance that year. (*Note: Crisis maximum for heat system repair is \$1,800.)

Household Size	Fuel Type B: Natural gas		(Household Income at 60% Oregon SMI*)			
	Annual Income	Monthly Income	Regular Benefit	Crisis Assistance Heating*	Crisis Assistance Cooling	Crisis Year-Round
1	0 – 11,172	0 – 931	\$425	\$600	\$400	\$800
	11,173 – 25,983	932 – 2,165	\$340	\$600	\$400	\$800
2	0 – 14,610	0 – 1,216	\$425	\$600	\$400	\$800
	14,611 – 33,978	1,217 – 2,831	\$340	\$600	\$400	\$800
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	29,650 – 68,954	2,470 – 5,746	\$370	\$600	\$400	\$800

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*Note: 60% median family of 4 anchors formula used by LIHEAP which determines the rest of the table.

Monthly Family Gathering and Connections

Bridging home, school and community...

Join us for a monthly discussions around:

- Behaviors
- Disabilities
- School meetings
- Support for parent involvement in your child's education
- Self-advocacy-empower yourself and your child
- IEPs, 504s, behavior support plans

Meetings will be held the last Thursday of every month.

Beginning on Jan. 30 from Noon-1 p.m. Adult Education Building

This is a family friendly environment.

Raffle * Food * Beading

If you have questions feel free to contact:

Audra Sherwood 503-879-2069 or Lyndsey Stuckey 503-879-2095

Get free, healthy food for kids with WIC



The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) wants families to get the nutrition education and support they need.

Join us on **August 21st, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** at **The Sheridan Center Head Start** building for nutrition education, enrollment, and guidance for women and children up to the age of 5. We also encourage expecting families who need assistance to attend.

Don't let economic uncertainty keep your family from healthy food. Let us help.



When

August 21st, 2020
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



Where

Sheridan Center Head Start
1500 W Main Street, Sheridan OR 97378



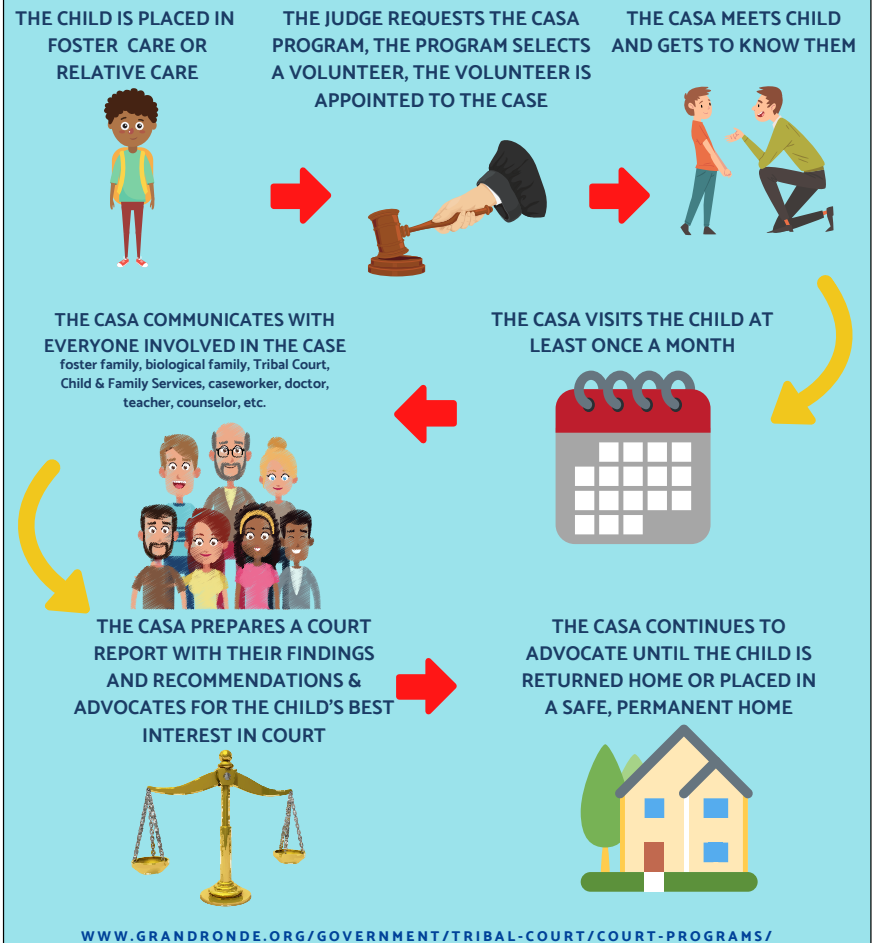
Please Bring

- A Government Issued ID (driver's license, tribal ID, birth certificate, vaccination record, WIC ID, etc.)
- Proof of Residency (a piece of mail with your name and address on it)
- Oregon Health Plan Card (if you have one)
- Paystubs for last 30 days (if you have them)



WHAT DOES A CASA DO?

Follow a CASA Volunteer's Journey to Help a Child Reach Permanency



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Steps to becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA):

- Chat with Tribal Court staff about CASA volunteer work
- Complete the application and authorize a criminal background check
- Submit authorization for child welfare history check
- Come in for formal interview
- Complete **40** hours of initial or pre-service training and court observation

You must complete all steps above before being sworn in as an active CASA volunteer. You may be screened out at any point prior to swearing in. The pre-service training will familiarize you with the needs of children who have been abused or neglected, the CASA's role and the Tribal Court and Child Welfare Systems.

To begin the process of becoming a CASA, please contact us by email courtprograms@grandronde.org or phone (503) 879-2303.