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Degrees of appreciation



Photos by Timothy J. Gonzalez

Gift boxes wait to be distributed during a lunch held in appreciation of Grand Ronde governmental employees who have been working the temperature checking stations. The lunch was held in the Employment Services building on Friday, Aug. 21. The event was hosted by General Manager David Fullerton and Human Resources Director Camille Mercier. Participants received a pizza lunch and a gift box to thank them for their work.



Human Resources Director Camille Mercier speaks to those attending a lunch held in appreciation of the Grand Ronde employees who have been working the temperature checking stations.

Childcare Reimbursement Program

Applications accepted September 1, 2020



<u>Purpose:</u> Tribal Funding allocated to assist families with high costs of child care through a partial reimbursement program through the Social Services Department.

- This is a first come first serve program
- Full applications and supporting documents must be received to process application
- Approved applicants will receive the reimbursement September 1 through August 31 of the current year
- Each household will receive up to a \$100 monthly reimbursement per eligible child
- Social Services will maintain a waiting list based on date/time of application in the event that approved applicants become ineligible at any point during the current application year

Eligibility:

- The child receiving childcare must be a Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (CTGR) member and 12 years old or younger
- Child must attend a Certified Licensed Childcare Facility
- Parent (s) / Guardian must be currently employed at least 20 hours per week or more and /or attending school as a part-time student minimum
- Two parent/guardian household, both parents/guardians must be working or attending school
- Household must meet the income criteria of 185% of Federal Poverty Level

Documentation required:

- Completed Application
- Verification of child(s) residence or custody agreement (ie. 2019 Taxes, Rental Agreement, Snap report etc.).
- Copy of childcare facility license
- Release of Information for the childcare facility
- Copies of wage stubs for the past 30 days and current classroom schedule. For two parent/ guardian households, both parents must provide documentation

Contact Social Services at (503) 879-2034

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-I p.m. Adult Education Building

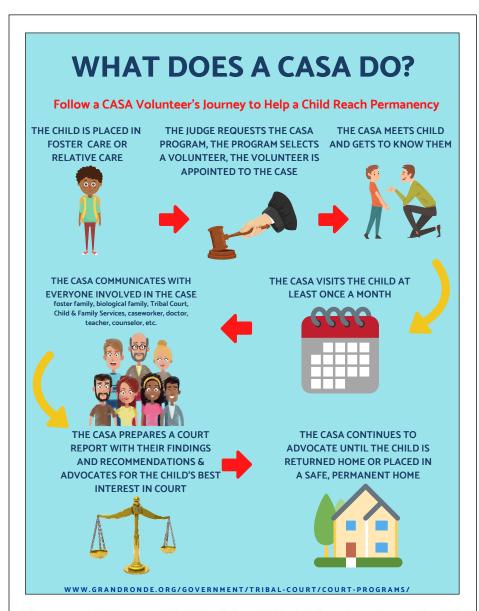
This is a family friendly environment.

Raffle * Food * Beading



If you have questions feel free to contact:

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



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 preservice 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.