

PRESS RELEASE

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE COLVILLE RESERVATION

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Applications for Need-Based Grants Now Available

NESPELEM, WA – The Colville Tribes announces that applications are officially available for grants which will be distributed based on need created by COVID-19. Any member of the Colville Tribes over the age of eighteen who has suffered a financial or health-related impact from the coronavirus is eligible to apply, no matter where the tribal member lives. However, only one application will be allowed per person, and any individual grant will not exceed \$700. Applications must be sent to the Enrollment Department of the Colville Tribes and they must be received or postmarked no later than October 30, 2020.

Applications may be obtained from, or completed applications may be sent to, the Enrollment Department at P. O. Box 408, Nespelem, WA 99155-0408. Enrollment may also be reached by telephone at (509) 634-2830, by fax at (509) 634-2874, or via e-mail at <u>Covid19.enr@colvilletribes.com</u>. Applications must be fully completed. Printed applications may also be obtained from the Tech Center in each of the districts of the Colville Reservation, or online at the website of the Colville Tribes.

Rodney Cawston, Chairman of the Colville Tribes, said, "On behalf of the Colville Business Council, I would like to thank all our tribal, clinical, and law enforcement staff and all others who have worked continually to protect our tribal members and residents of the Reservation. Tribal Council has reviewed all the guidances received from the U. S. Treasury and the I.R.S. for the allowable uses of the CARES Act funding. If you have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic, I encourage you to apply for this funding. We recognize that this one grant payment will not address everyone's needs, but it will help."

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About the Colville Tribes:

Today, more than 9,495 descendants of 12 aboriginal tribes of Indians are enrolled in the Confederated Tribes of the Colville. The twelve tribes which compose the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation include: ščəlámxəx^w (deep water) or Chelan; walwáma (Wallowa people) or Chief Joseph Band of Nez Perce; sx^wy?iłp (sharp pointed trees) or Colville; šntiyátk^wəx^w (grass in the water) or Entiat; snSáyckst (speckled fish) or Lakes; mətx^wu (blunt hills around a valley) or Methow; škwáxčənəx^w (people living on the bank) or Moses-Columbia; nspilm (prairie) or Nespelem; uknaqin (seeing over the top) or Okanogan; palúšpam (people from Palouse) or Palus; sənpS^wilx (grey mist as far as one can see) or San Poil, and šnpəšq^wáwsəx^w (people in between) or Wenatchi.