

# COVID-19 Water/Sewer Assistance Program

## I. PURPOSE

To provide Siletz Tribal households experiencing negative impacts due to the COVID-19 pandemic with water/sewer assistance. Funding for the COVID-19 Water/Sewer Assistance Program is based on a first come, first served basis. Services are available throughout the United States of America. This program will open July 1, 2020 and will remain open until funding is exhausted.

## II. ELIGIBILITY

1. Tribal households negatively impacted due to COVID-19. To be considered a tribal household, the head of household, spouse, or a minor child (ren) must be an enrolled Siletz tribal member.
2. Impact must be due to circumstances directly related to COVID-19 (i.e. loss of income due to lay-off, inability to work due to government shut-down, loss of income due to quarantine, household composition changes, etc.)

## III. USES

COVID-19 water/sewer assistance is meant to address unmet needs. Household may be eligible for water/sewer assistance. The base is \$250.00 with a limit up to \$500.00 per household. Funding is made available through the CTSI U.S. Treasury CARES Act fund. Payments will be made directly to water/sewer providers.

## IV. PROCEDURE

1. The applicant must complete the COVID-19 Water/Sewer Assistance Application and provided the following: names of all household members, roll number, proof of tribal enrollment, date of birth, address, for all household members. Applicant must document how COVID-19 has impacted their household and need for water/sewer assistance. Applicant must sign the release of information and attached current Water/Sewer bill.
2. Applications will be processed by the 477-Self Sufficiency Program (477-SSP).
3. Once eligibility is determined, a receipt letter or email will be provided to the applicant 2 business days from the date the application is received by the CTSI. The applicant will be given ten (10) days from the receipt letter date to respond and correct any deficiencies. Other efforts to communicate with the applicant, to assist with completion of the application will occur as needed.