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Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
Rescue Small Business Relief Program
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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Q: Who can apply?

A: All Tlingit & Haida tribal citizens owning and operating a business, regardless of where they reside, are eligible to apply.

Q: What is an “eligible entity” for the Rescue Small Business Relief Grant?

A: The business can be a sole proprietor that operates under their legal name and receives 1099-Misc under their social security number **OR** it is a licensed business in the state it resides **OR** it is a commercial fisherman (captain or crew) that receives a settlement statement is a self-employed individual.

Q: What are the requirements to apply?

A: The eligibility requirements are as follows:

- Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Must be enrolled with Tlingit & Haida.
- Must be 50% owner of the small business.
- Must have 50 employees or less.
- The business must be actively managed by the tribal citizen.
- The business must be owned and operated in the United States.

Q: What if I don’t remember my tribal enrollment number? Can you provide it to me?

A: No, you must contact Program Compliance to obtain your tribal enrollment number. Without it, your application will not be processed. The best way to reach Program Compliance for enrollment requests is by emailing enrollment@cchita-nsn.gov. For citizens who do not have access to the internet, please call Program Compliance at (907) 463-7146.

Q: How long do I have to apply?

A: The application period opens on September 1, 2021, and ends December 31, 2021, at 4:30 PM AKST.

Q: How much of a small business relief grant can I receive?

A: The maximum amount is \$5,000. Applicants may submit receipts up to that amount.

Q: Do I have to have \$5,000 in receipts?

A: No, you can submit as many as possible at the time you submit your application, up to \$5,000.

Q: Can I apply again later in the year for the same business?

A: No, only one application per business per year.

Q: What are the funding priorities for this small business relief grant?

A: The business must be an active, revenue generating, tribal citizen owned business.

Q: Are new startup companies appropriate applicants for the program?

A: Only if the new startup was licensed and operating prior to March 3, 2021 and has operating revenue and expenses.

Q: How much does the tribal citizen applicant have to own of the business applying for relief?

A: Fifty percent (50%) or more of the ownership interest in an entity (regardless of its legal structure) must be held by the tribal citizen applying for the small business relief grant.

Q: Do I have to submit all of my utilities (electric, heat, water/sewer/garbage) to obtain a percentage (based upon IRS Form 8829) of reimbursement for my home office?

A: For a Home Office deduction you have two options:

- Option 1: You can submit receipts and claim a percentage that has been reported on your IRS Form 8829 – Expenses for Business Use of Your Home. Form 8829 is used to figure the allowable expenses for business use of your home.
- Option 2: Complete the Home Office Self-Certification Form.

Q: What type of receipts do I have to submit for reimbursement?

A: Receipts must be legible and dated between March 3, 2021 – December 31, 2020.

Q: What about “shopping cart” or order forms or purchase orders, can I submit those?

A: No, only receipts, vendor statements showing payment or bank statement showing withdrawal and payment.

For more information or additional questions, please contact:

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