



SNOQUALMIE INDIAN TRIBE

ELDERS GENERAL WELFARE STIPEND

UNDERSTANDING STATEMENT

THE SNOQUALMIE INDIAN TRIBE HAS ESTABLISHED THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS TO ENSURE THE ELDERS GENERAL WELFARE STIPEND PROGRAM PROVIDES THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT POSSIBLE TO ALL ELIGIBLE TRIBAL MEMBERS.

CURRENT CRITERIA-----

1. To be **eligible** for the Elders General Welfare Stipend, you must be:
 - a. Enrolled Elder Snoqualmie Tribal Member: The applicant must be age 55 or older at time of submittal.
 - b. Sign the Understanding Statement (below) and complete a form W-9.

PROGRAM DISTRIBUTION-----

1. The Elders General Welfare Stipend will be provided once a month by check to the approved applicant.
2. The check issued will be for \$250.00 (Two Hundred Fifty U.S. Dollars).
3. Funding will be provided by checks will be mailed to the approved applicant or by direct deposit.
4. All Elders must re-sign the Understanding Statement annually.
5. Program benefits are subject to change at the discretion of the Snoqualmie Tribal Council.

PROGRAM USAGE-----

1. The Elders General Welfare Stipend **CANNOT** be used towards:
 - a. Alcohol/Drugs
 - b. Gambling
 - c. In any way that would be considered lavish or excessive
2. The Elders General Welfare Stipend can be used towards:
 - a. Daily life expenses including but not limited to: costs associated with housing or home maintenance, transportation expenses, food, healthcare, clothing, debt payoff, and goods for the home or Elder.



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By signing below you are consenting to understanding the terms and conditions of distribution and usage of the Elders General Welfare Stipend as listed on Page 1.

By signing below you are recognizing that it is the responsibility of the Elder to keep itemized receipts for where and how the benefit was used for your own records.

By signing below you are understanding that to comply with Federal law, the inability to show proper usage of the Elders General Welfare Stipend will result in the amount of the benefit that was improperly used to be treated as taxable income to the Elder that may be reported to the IRS.

The Snoqualmie Tribal Council wishes to ensure that no Tribal Elder in the community will be without basic fundamental necessities of life. The General Welfare Policy ("Policy") will not completely fund all Elders financial and other needs, but is designed to lessen the burden of living expenses in their everyday lives. It is the intent of the Tribal Council that the Policy be funded from the Tribe's general fund, which will not be subject to state or federal taxation and will not reduce fixed income or other benefits of the recipients.

I certify that I have read and understand all the terms and conditions associated with the Elders General Welfare Stipend. I understand that I am signing this Understanding Statement under penalty of criminal prosecution if I knowingly give false information or misuse program funding. By signing I agree that the Elders General Welfare Stipend program may contact other tribal programs for pertinent information as it applies to this application.

Please check one:

I do want to receive the Elders Stipend I do **NOT** want to receive the Elders Stipend

Name (Printed): _____

Tribal ID # _____ DOB: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE RETURN TO THE SNOQUALMIE TRIBAL OFFICE BY MARCH 10TH:

ATTN: TRIBAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
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