



# SNOQUALMIE INDIAN TRIBE

## EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

There are two types of Eligible Expenses under the Emergency Assistance Program: (1) non-taxable General Welfare benefit Eligible Expenses and (2) taxable Eligible Expenses.

**Non-Taxable Eligible Items.** To be eligible as a General Welfare Eligible Expense for tax exemption, the Emergency request must address one or more of the following: Utilities, provided the Adult Tribal Member must be listed on the bill;

1. Property Taxes for a Tribal Members principal residency;
2. Application fees, security deposits, pet deposits;
3. AC Units/ Fans;
4. Communication bills, such as cable, TV, internet, phone, etc., provided that the Adult Tribal Member must be listed on the bill);
5. Firewood/pellets/heaters/electric fireplaces;
6. Groceries, clothing, and gas/transportation;
7. Home repairs (after Home Repair & Improvement funding has been exhausted);
8. Home Appliances and Mattress;
9. Student loans;
10. Auto expenses (repairs, tires, car payments, car down payments) for the Adult Tribal Member's primary vehicle, provided that only one vehicle per year is eligible;
11. Lodging and transportation for job travel or training, temporary relocation due to displacement from home for health/ safety issues/ natural disaster, for an Adult Tribal Member who is receiving or caring for a Qualified Nonmember during medical treatment/hospice/or hospitalization. Available by reimbursement only;
12. Meals through home delivery programs;
13. Short term rental vehicles and fares for taxi to access essential services to the public (government services buildings or grocery stores). Available by reimbursement only; and
14. Medical bills not covered by PRC.

**Taxable Eligible Items.** The following categories of items are considered Eligible Expenses for the Emergency Assistance Program; however, these items are considered taxable by the IRS and require a Form W-9 to be submitted for the recipient:

1. Court related fees or tickets;
2. Furniture/ Other Household items (vacuums, rugs, pillows, etc.);
3. Bedframes;
4. Car insurance, licensing, or registration;
5. Legal fees;
6. Income taxes;
7. Veterinary bills/pet food & supplies;
8. Moving fee (i.e. moving truck rentals or moving companies); and
9. Other expenses will be reviewed on a case by case basis with justification of an Emergency provided.