



## **CLOTHING ASSISTANCE POLICY**

### **I. MISSION STATEMENT**

The Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria recognizes and understands that Tribal Members and/or legal guardians or parents of a tribal minor may need clothing assistance. This policy is intended to supplement tribal members who demonstrate a need for clothing assistance.

### **II. GOALS**

To provide clothing assistance for all tribal members listed in Section IV. Qualifications.

### **III. DEFINITIONS**

- *Tribal Infant* – Enrolled member of the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria and are between the ages of newborn age and four (4).
- *School Aged Tribal Member* – Children registered and attending school, in grades Transitional Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- *Youth Employees* – Enrolled members of the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, are under the age of seventeen (17) and have provided proof of current employment.
- *Adult Members* – Enrolled members of the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria between the ages of eighteen (18) and fifty-nine (59).
- *Elder Members* – Enrolled members of the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria aged sixty (60) and over.

### **IV. QUALIFICATIONS**

- **Tribal Infant** – may receive up to \$300.00 per calendar year under this program.
- **School Aged Tribal Member** – may receive school clothing assistance in the amount of \$800.00 every calendar year. The benefit must be distributed in two installments each year with a maximum installment of \$400.00 each time. An eligible tribal minor may receive school clothing assistance twice per year.
- **Youth Employees** – may receive work clothing assistance in the amount of \$150.00 every calendar year.

- **Adult Members** – that are gainfully employed or enrolled in college, junior college, trade school, and/or professional school and/or a permanently disabled adult who receives SSD/SSI is eligible for clothing assistance in the amount of \$300.00 per calendar year.
- **Elder Member** – is eligible for clothing assistance in the amount of \$300.00 per calendar year.

## **V. PROCESSING**

Benefit applications must be fully completed in order to be processed. Benefit requests may take between 7-14 days to be processed.

## **VI. LIMITATIONS FOR PAYMENT**

1. The Tribal Member receiving the clothing assistance must be an enrolled member of the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria.
2. Tribal Member's or a legal guardian of the minor tribal member must apply for assistance, a Tribal Benefits Application must be filled out and submitted to Bear River Benefits Department with any documentation required that will help facilitate the process of the application.
3. A permanent disabled adult member must submit proof of permanent disability (eg. Income verification letter from SSD as proof of permanent disability).
4. Applications for school aged Tribal Member clothing will be accepted twice per year. All receipts are due within 30 days.

## **VII. PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

1. A Tribal Member that wants to apply for any type of clothing assistance must provide original receipts to verify expenditures for clothing within (30) days from the date funds were issued (no exceptions). Original clothing receipt(s) must be submitted to the Bear River Benefits Department. Make sure to make a copy of the clothing receipts for your records and write tribal member name and tribal roll number on the clothing receipt(s) before submitting the receipts to the Bear River Benefits Department.

## **VIII. DEFAULTS**

1. An applicant will be classified in default status if original receipts are not turned in within the 30 day time period. Adult Tribal Members in default status will have their per capita garnished in order to recover the clothing allowance when no receipts are submitted. For future use of the policy, any applicant in default status must purchase the clothing and submit for reimbursement. The original receipts must be attached at the time the benefit application is submitted in order to be

considered for reimbursement. The reimbursement default status will be for a period of 12 months.

2. In a default situation that creates a hardship for a minor, the applicant will work with the Bear River Benefits Department to order clothing with delivery to Tish Non Community Center or valid mailing address of minor (verified through Enrollment Office).

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This is to certify that the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Council duly assembled in Loleta, CA and adopted the foregoing document on December 9, 2025 by a vote of 5 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstentions and 2 Absent.


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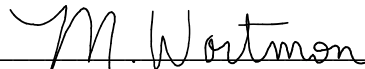
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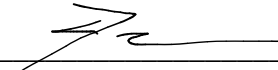
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