

BEAR RIVER HOUSEHOLD ASSISTANCE POLICY

I. MISSION STATEMENT

The Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria recognizes that creating and maintaining a home is expensive. Therefore, the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria offers a set amount to be spent on household necessities.

II. GOALS

To assist tribal members in their need to purchase household necessities when obtaining and maintaining housing.

III. DEFINITIONS

- Emancipated Minor Tribal Member A minor tribal member who has legally been emancipated from the custody and control of their parent(s)/legal guardian.
- Tribal Member Refers to enrolled members of the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria ages 54 and under.
- Elder Tribal Member Refers to enrolled members of the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria age 55 and older.

IV. QUALIFICATIONS

All Adult or emancipated minor tribal members of the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria are eligible for this benefit. A completed Tribal Benefits Application must be submitted to the Bear River Benefits Department, including documentation of secured housing.

V. PROCESSING

Tribal benefits application must be fully complete in order to be processed. Benefit requests may take between 7-14 days to be processed.

VI. LIMITATIONS FOR PAYMENT

Tribal members are eligible for \$400.00 to assist in purchasing household necessities. Tribal members may access this program once every five (5) years. Electronics, decorative items and other non-essential items necessary for maintaining a household are excluded.

VII. PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- The tribal member must complete a tribal benefits application and demonstrate documentation of secured housing.
- The tribal member recipient of the household assistance benefit must provide receipts to demonstrate expenditures for household items that match the requirements listed within Section VI. Limitations for Payment. Receipts must be submitted within thirty (30) days of distribution of the household assistance benefit.

VIII. DEFAULTS

A tribal member that fails to provide receipts to demonstrate proper use of household assistance funding shall repay the funds back to The Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria and will have future per capita distributions withheld to cover the benefit amount not supported by proper receipts.

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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 approved the foregoing document on November 28, 2023 by a vote of **<u>6</u>** For, **<u>0</u>** Against, **<u>0</u>** Abstentions and **<u>1</u>** Absent.

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