Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

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Board of Trustees Approves Fall Financial Assistance for Tribal Membership

MISSION – The Board of Trustees (BOT) of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) approved a fall financial assistance distribution for all eligible enrolled tribal members during a Nov. 12 work session, with the polled resolution to be ratified Nov. 16.

According to the resolution, the BOT recognizes the continued financial challenges for tribal members as inflation and rising costs of essential goods and services, including food, fuel, housing, utilities and other necessities continue to place increased financial pressure on individuals and families.

All CTUIR members enrolled and living as of Nov. 16, 2026, will receive a payment exempt from federal income tax as a general welfare benefit. Tribal members who have moved or changed addresses in the past three months should call the Enrollment Office at 541-429-7035 to update their information. Change of address forms are available in the Enrollment Office or online at https://ctuir.org/departments/enrollment/change-of-address/.

The distribution will not be applied toward individual debts, including child support, tribal loans or debts owed to tribal programs. No application is required. Payments will be available on or before Nov. 30.

The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation is comprised of the Cayuse, Walla Walla and Umatilla Tribes, and formed under the Treaty of 1855 at the Walla Walla Valley, 12 Stat. 945. In 1949, the Tribes adopted a constitutional form of government to protect, preserve and enhance the reserved treaty rights guaranteed under federal law.

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