Housing Newsletter May 2020

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Housing Department
51 Umatilla Loop
Pendleton, OR 97801
(541) 429-7920

STAY HOME, STAY SAFE!
Please call HD and leave a message, & we’ll get back to you.
Thank You.

CALL UTPD (541) 278-0550 for after-hour & holiday work order

EMERGENCIES ONLY:
⇒ Water leaks or no water
⇒ Electrical
⇒ No heat

MISSION RESOURCES

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HOUSING DEPARTMENT STAFF

Marcus Luke II            Housing Director
Keny Mitchell             Resident Services / Compliance Manager
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Deb Wallace               Office Specialist
Pamela Ranslam           Homeownership Program
Penny Bott                Procurement
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Heather DeMary           Resident Services
Tina Baum                Resident Services / Office Assistant
Kendyl DeJong            Animal Control
Marcus Conner            Maintenance
Lance Dick               Maintenance
Tim Cain                 Maintenance
KC Picard                Maintenance
Ron Snyder               Maintenance
Jesse Bronson            Maintenance
Garrell Moore            Maintenance
Chris Marsh              Maintenance

RESOURCES to help during COVID 19

✦ CAPECO: 541-276-1926 or www.CAPECO-Works.org
Please call & apply, home weatherization; energy assistance; commodities; rental assistance, homeless assistance, elder services.

✦ Yellowhawk: call 541-966-9830 or www.yellowhawk.org for COVID updated info. For CTUIR enrolled members, may provide medications, transportation, CHR/Elder needs.

✦ CTUIR Credit Program: general number 541-276-3165: May assist CTUIR tribal members with emergency loans.

✦ CTUIR Human Resources: Assists with applying and preparing for job interviews, employee benefits, and trainings.

✦ Blue Mountain Action Council in Walla Walla Veterans: 509-529-4980: they can assist Veterans with; rent, automobile repair, vocational needs, transportation for medical, groceries & utilities.

COVID-19 INFORMATION

CTUIR Updates Regarding the Current Pandemic Crisis

This has been a very tough time for Us All! We hope you have been doing your best to “Stay Home, Stay Safe” and encouraging your family and friends to do the same to slow the spread of COVID-19. Housing Department staff, as well as other CTUIR departments are doing the best to respond to issues, and are organizing efforts to keep our tribal members and community informed and aware of forward processes. We hope to provide helpful information to our Tenants as it is available.

For immediate release: April 27, 2020
Contact: Jiselle Halfmoon, Public Information Officer – Tribal Governance
(541) 969-4801

Board of Trustees extends Stay at Home Order until June 1

MISSION - The Board of Trustees (BOT) for the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) approved Resolution 20-039 on April 27, 2020 to extend Stay Home Order on the Umatilla Reservation and its entities through June 1, 2020.

HOUSING DEPARTMENT RENT:
Housing Department has been given the authority to waive rent for April through June to those that have been laid off due to COVID-19. Tax Credit homes may get up to $200 waived if they have been laid off due to COVID-19. Not all tenants are eligible to receive this waiver, tenants must have been laid off due to COVID-19. The rents that have already been paid by those designated tenants for April should have been, or will be:
1) credited to your account
2) reimbursed by check
Please contact HD if you have questions or concerns & leave a message we’ll call you back

FOR COVID-19 UPDATES:
⇒ CTUIR Updates: ctsiu.org/
⇒ Oregon Health Authority: healthoregon.org/coronavirus
⇒ CDC Recommendations: https://coronavirus.gov/
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CTUIR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:
The Board of Trustees approved a resolution to add $250,000 to an existing needs-based program to help CTUIR members who are experiencing unemployment caused by COVID-19. The COVID-19 Emergency Assistance Program is available to enrolled CTUIR members that have been laid off or furloughed due to COVID-19 to help pay for urgent expenses like rent, utilities and other costs of living. CTUIR members seeking Program assistance must complete an application and provide financial information to demonstrate their need. CTUIR members who wish to apply for assistance should contact CTUIR Department of Children and Family Services at 541-429-7300.

Previously: The Board of Trustees (BOT) on Monday, April 13, established a COVID-19 Pandemic Relief Benefit in the amount of $300 for each member of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR). The checks, which were to be sent to Tribal members on or before April 30, are to help cover unanticipated and unbudgeted expenses that Tribal members have or will incur during the March to May time period of the COVID-19 pandemic. Current contact information must be up to date for members to receive this assistance. Contact information can be submitted via email, phone or dropped off at the Nixyaawii Governance Center (NGC) in Mission. Email enrollment@ctuir.org or call and leave your contact information on the voicemail at (541) 429-7035. Information can also be placed in an envelope, addressed to Enrollment and deposited in the Tribal Ballot Box in the front parking lot of NGC.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION:
Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to hold Food Distribution

WHEN: Friday, May 1, 2020 10:00 am
WHERE: Mission Gymnasium/Community Center (by old NCS)
TO BENEFIT: CTUIR Tribal Members & Other Federally Recognized Tribal Members, or other Families that reside within CTUIR boundaries

- Each family of community member must pick up their own food
- You must remain in your vehicle while picking up your food. Food will be placed in vehicle trucks or pickup beds. No exceptions
- Only Elders may send a representative to pick up their food and sign for their household
- We are unable to hold food for individuals and families; food distribution is first-come first-serve
- If you have questions, please contact DCFS at (541) 429-7300
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UPDATED CDC INFO RESOURCES:
⇒ Use of Cloth Face Coverings:
⇒ Fact Sheet on Cloth Face Coverings:
⇒ Guidance on Cleaning and Disinfection for Community Facilities:
⇒ Fact Sheet on Facilities: Everyday Steps, Steps When Someone is Sick, and Considerations for Employers:
⇒ Resources for Stress and Coping:
⇒ COVID-19-Related Phone Scams and Phishing Attacks:
   https://www.cdc.gov/media/phishing.html

CRISIS HELP:

The Disaster Distress Helpline, 1-800-985-5990, is a 24/7, 365-day-a-year, national hotline dedicated to providing immediate crisis counseling for people who are experiencing emotional distress related to any natural or human-caused disaster.

Month of May 2020

May 1st ................................................................. May Day
May 5th .......................................................... Cinco de Mayo
May 6th ................................................... National Nurses Day
May 7th .................................................. National Day of Prayer
May 10th ............................................. Mother’s Day
May 15th .......... Peace Officers Memorial Day
May 16th ...................... Armed Forces Day
May 25th ................................................ Memorial Day
May 31st ...................................................... Pentecost
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Savvy Caregiver in Indian Country

Are you an unpaid caregiver for an elder with memory loss and thinking problems? If so, please join us for this free, six-week program which provides strategies, skills, and group support for family members who care for loved ones living with Alzheimer’s disease or another dementia.

Training will be via Zoom

When:
Tuesdays, May 5th – June 9th
from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Who: This program is for Native and non-Native family caregivers of persons living with a type of dementia or memory loss

For more information or to register contact Suzy Deeds, Family Caregiver Support Specialist at (503) 304-3429 or suzy.deeds@nwsds.org. Once you are registered you will be given a password to use with the follow zoom link. To join with the password click on the following Zoom link: here. To join by phone, please call toll-free 877-369-0926 and follow the prompts to enter the meeting ID: 974 9188 3438.

May is Flea and Tick Awareness Month for pets. As the days get longer and warmer, pets and their owners are eager to get out and enjoy the fresh air. Although spring is the start of picnics, strolls through the park, hiking, and other outdoor activities, it also marks the beginning of tick and flea season.

1. Tick and Flea prevention should be administered year around starting at 8 weeks of age.
2. Don’t give ticks and fleas a chance to invade your home.
3. Pet’s are good about hiding the evidence.
4. Make "tick checks" part of your routine.
5. Your pet may not show symptoms of being bit by a flea or tick right away.
Don’t wait, start now. Ask your veterinarian or supply’s are available at local stores and online.

From CTUIR Animal Control Officer, Kendyl DeJong

FREE INTERNET IN HOUSING AREAS for 3-months:
Upgrades have been made to “Uma Rez” in housing areas and internet access is free.
To access:
1) Connect WiFi to: “UmaRez”
2) In a browser, type in your email address & that’s it. Use it to finish up school & check updates on CTUIR.org or go to facebook page. STAY HOME STAY SAFE!
COVID-19 Emergency Assistance Program

for all CTUIR members in need

The CTUIR Board of Trustees approved a resolution April 22, 2020 to add $250,000 to an existing needs-based program to help CTUIR members who are experiencing unemployment caused by COVID-19.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who is eligible?
all enrolled CTUIR members who have been laid off or furloughed due to COVID-19 and meet the program criteria.

What is the program criteria to get help?
An applicant must show at least one factor in both Categories below.

CATEGORY 1: (must say yes to one of these factors)
- an enrolled member of the CTUIR over 18 years old
- an enrolled CTUIR Elder
- an enrolled CTUIR Veteran
- have minor children in the household who are enrolled member(s) of the CTUIR
- a spouse of an enrolled member of the CTUIR

AND

CATEGORY 2: (must say yes to one of these factors)
- recently laid off or furloughed due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- a college student that has moved back to the CTUIR due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- a CTUIR Tribal member that has relocated to the CTUIR due to the COVID-19 pandemic

What if I live off the reservation?
you can apply if you live off the reservation
there are no restrictions based on where a CTUIR member lives
CTUIR members on and off reservation, inside and outside Oregon, urban and rural are eligible to apply

What do I need to do to get help?
Call DCFS at 541-429-7300
Complete an application and provide financial information to demonstrate your need
DCFS staff work with applicants to figure out what bills are highest priority, contact the vendors who need to be paid such as a utility company and the DCFS pays each bill directly.
You will need to have information about your bills, like a phone number, account number, amount due and when

Will the program send me money to pay for my expenses?
No. The program does not disburse cash
The program pays bills directly to the vendor

Does everyone get the same amount of help?
The program is managed on a case-by-case basis
DCFS staff works with CAPECO and other resources to help put together the aid you need

What is the deadline to apply?
You are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.
Applicants are helped on a first-come, first-serve basis
The BOT originally put $30,000 into this program and it was all used. On April 22 the BOT put another $250,000 into the program.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ANSWERS TO ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

Call 541-429-7300 (Department of Children and Family Services)
Email kathleenevans@ctuir.org or julietaylor@ctuir.org.
Call or email between 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday.
DCFS staff can take your information over the phone to complete an Emergency Assistance application.