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HEALTHCARE AND RELATED EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUNDING					
Agency	Amount	\$ Comes From	Must be used for	Eligibility/Distribution Criteria	How to Access
IHS	\$64 million	Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCA), H.R. 6201	COVID-19 testing and diagnostic supplies and services (including PPE for testing staff)	\$3M to Urban Indian Organizations (UIOs) \$61M to federal and Tribal health programs (THPs)	No action needed. Funds distributed through existing FAs using methodology for H&C program increases.
	\$70 million	FFCA	Prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19 (may include medical supplies, treatment costs, patient transport, etc.)	\$40M to purchase PPE and medical supplies \$30M to direct service tribes (DST)	No action needed. PPE/supplies provided to IHS facilities, UIOs, and THPs at no cost Funds distributed using existing methodology
	\$1.032 billion	Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)	COVID-19 response efforts May include treatment, supplies, education, electronic health records improvement, telehealth, etc.	\$30M to UIOs \$570M to federal health programs and THPs \$65M for electronic health record support \$367M TBD	No action needed Funds allocated using existing distribution methodologies
HRSA	\$15 million	CARES Act	Telehealth, rural health services	TBD	TBD (tribal consultation session held April 14)
SAMHSA	\$15 million	CARES Act	Health Surveillance Program	TBD	TBD (held listening session April 1)
	*\$110 million ¹		Emergency Grants to Address Mental and Substance Use Disorders During COVID-19	Tribes, tribal organizations, UIOs, tribal consortia	Apply here by April 10: https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=325993

¹ * Indicates that funding is not tribal-specific, but also includes funding available for states, territories, or other eligible recipients.

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	*\$50 million	CARES Act	Suicide prevention programs		TBD, updates will likely be posted here: https://www.samhsa.gov/coronavirus General program info: https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-20-011
	*\$250 million	CARES Act	Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) to increase access to mental healthcare services		TBD, updates will likely be posted here: https://www.samhsa.gov/coronavirus General program info: https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-20-012
CDC	\$80 million	Coronavirus Preparedness & Response Supplemental Appropriations Act (CPRSA), H.R. 6074	Surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, etc.	\$40M in grants to Title I and Title V Tribes Supplements to existing awards: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$30M to CDC Cooperative Agreement• \$8M to National Council of Urban Indian Health• \$2M to NIHB	Apply for non-competitive grant by May 31: https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=CDC-RFA-Ot20-2004 Expenses reimbursed dating back to Jan. 20
	> \$125 million	CARES Act	CDC cooperative agreements	Tribes, tribal organizations, and UIOs	TBD, may be same mechanism used to distribute \$40M in non-competitive grants
PHS	\$15 million	CARES Act	Essential medical services	TBD (unclear whether funding available will be to Tribes)	TBD
USDA	*\$25 million	CARES Act	Telemedicine and distance learning services in rural areas https://www.rd.usda.gov/pro	Tribes, tribal organizations, nonprofits, businesses	Round 1 – April 10 application deadline: https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=324339 Round 2 – Applications accepted beginning April 14, due no later than July 13 at grants.gov

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FEMA		COVID-19 National Emergency Declaration	Emergency protective measures, such as medical care, medical sheltering, operations costs, etc.	Tribal governments	<p>Details on how to apply: https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/03/23/coronavirus-covid-19-pandemic-public-assistance-simplified-application</p> <p>Tribal specific info: https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/03/26/coronavirus-covid-19-fema-assistance-tribal-governments</p>

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COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES (food, childcare, affordable housing, etc.)²					
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ACF, FYSB	\$4.5 million	CARES Act	Family Violence and Prevention Services formula grants to provide temporary housing and in-person assistance to victims of family, domestic, and dating violence.	Existing FVPSA Tribal Formula grantees No matching requirement	Should be automatically awarded via existing formula grant; timeline TBD (contact your assigned Grants Management Specialist and FVPSA Project Officer) More info: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/fysb/fvpsafaq_use_of_funds_questions_shelter_supportiveservices_03_30_20.pdf
ACF, OCS	*\$900 million	CARES Act	Low Income Home Energy Assistance	Tribes and Tribal organizations	TBD
	*\$1 billion	CARES Act	Supplemental Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funding for wide range of social services and emergency assistance to serve individuals up to 200% of the federal poverty line	Supplemental funding to existing block grant recipients	Should be automatically awarded via statutory formula; timeline TBD More info: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/resource/csbg-fact-sheet and https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/resource/state-officials-and-program-contacts

² The CARES Act also extended current mandatory authorizations and appropriations through November 30, 2020 for continuing activities under the following programs: the Special Diabetes Program for Indians, the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program, Child Care Entitlement, Health Profession Opportunity Grants, Personal Responsibility Education Program, and Sexual Risk Avoidance Education. This means that these programs will continue to be funded at current funding levels through November 30.

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ACF, OCC	*\$3.5 billion total \$96.25 million for Tribes	CARES Act	Supplemental Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) funding to provide immediate assistance to child care providers to prevent them from going out of business and to otherwise support child care for families, including for healthcare workers, first responders, and other essential workers.	Existing Tribal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Lead Agencies Allocation will most likely be based on current percentage share of funding with some adjustments	Should be automatically awarded; timeline TBD More info: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/summary-of-child-care-provisions-of-cares-act and https://bipartisanpolicy.org/explainer/ccdbg-funds-in-the-cares-act/
ACF, OHS	*\$750 million	CARES Act	Head Start funding to meet emergency staffing needs, address added operational costs, and provide summer learning opportunities (up to \$500M for summer Head Start programs)	Existing Head Start programs	Funds should be distributed to existing programs based on the ratio of enrolled children; timeline and more info TBD Non-competitive grant supplements will be awarded to some existing grantees to operate supplemental summer programs General Head Start COVID-19 info: https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/physical-health/article/coronavirus-prevention-response
ACF, CB	*\$45 million	CARES Act	Supplemental Title IV-B Child Welfare Services Grant funding to support the child welfare needs of families during this crisis, and to help keep families together	Existing tribal grantees No matching requirement	Should be automatically awarded via existing formula grant; timeline and more info TBD
ACL	\$10 million \$20 million	FFCA CARES Act	Supplemental funding for nutrition and related services for Native American Programs under Title VI of the Older Americans Act	Existing tribal grantees	\$10M already distributed: https://acl.gov/about-acl/older-americans-act-oaa \$20M likely distributed in same manner
	*\$20 million	CARES Act	Supplemental funding for the Ombudsman Program under Title	States	Funds will likely be distributed according to existing allocation formula:

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			VII of the Older Americans Act to resolve problems related to the health, safety, welfare, and rights of individuals who live in long-term care facilities		https://acl.gov/sites/default/files/about-acl/2020-02/TitleVII-2020.pdf Updates will be posted here: https://acl.gov/about-acl/older-americans-act-oaa and https://acl.gov/COVID-19
USDA, FNS	\$100 million	CARES Act	Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)	\$50M facility improvements \$50M food purchase costs	TBD
	*\$500 million	FFCA	Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)	Indian tribal organizations	No action needed Intended to cover increases in program participation
	*400 million	FFCA	The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)	Supplemental funding to State Distributing Agencies Up to \$100M for distribution costs	No action needed States can request approval to operate a Disaster Household Distribution (DHD) program through their FNS regional office
HUD	\$300 million	CARES Act	Prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19	\$200M Indian Housing Block Grants (IHBG) \$100M Indian Community Development Block Grants (ICDBG)	IHBG distributed to Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities via same formula for FY 2020 awards Implementation Notice to apply for ICDBG will published soon

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EDUCATION, LAW ENFORCEMENT, OTHER GOVERNMENT SERVICES					
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BIE	> \$200 million	CARES Act	Education-related	<p>\$153.75M BIE programs</p> <p>\$69M operation of Indian Education Programs (\$23M for Tribal Colleges and Universities, \$46M for tribal school needs)</p> <p>*\$50M for technical support services</p> <p>Other education-related funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1.046B for Minority Serving Institutions • \$78k for IAIA 	<p>Re the \$69M:</p> <p>\$23M will go to Tribal Colleges pro-rata across institutions based on “weighted student units.”</p> <p>The \$46M for tribal schools will be used to increase distance learning, IT capacity and Wi-Fi, and to support unexpected services delivery. Distribution is based on the needs of each school.</p> <p>Matching funds requirements for Tribes are waived for grants</p>
BIA	\$453 million	CARES Act	Aid to tribal governments; welfare assistance and social service programs; public safety and emergency response	<p>BIA chose to distribute as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$380M for Aid to Tribal Governments (ATG/OATG) • \$20M to welfare assistance • \$20M held until end of April for unexpected needs • \$33M for purchasing PPE for law enforcement/detention center staff, overtime for law enforcement and essential workers, inmate quarantine, cleaning facilities, and telework 	<p>Payments go out automatically under existing FAs (no tribal action needed) if they contain the ATG/OATG or Welfare Assistance line items.</p> <p>If lines are not included, an FA amendment is needed.</p> <p>Title I Tribes can spend funds now but will have to work with BIA on a budget later.</p>
DOJ	*\$850 million	CARES Act	PPE, inmates’ medical needs, hire personnel, overtime costs, distribution of resources	<p>Byrne-Justice Assistance Grant Program eligible agencies; see eligible jurisdictions here:</p>	<p>Apply here by May 29:</p> <p>https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/bja-2020-</p>

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USDA	*\$25 million	CARES Act	Telemedicine and distance learning services in rural areas (https://www.rd.usda.gov/v/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants)	Tribes, tribal organizations, nonprofits, businesses	Round 1 – April 10 application deadline: https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=324339 Round 2 – Applications accepted beginning April 14, due no later than July 13 at grants.gov
DOE	*\$30.75 billion	CARES Act	Education Stabilization Fund for states, school districts and institutions of higher education for wide-range of costs related to addressing the coronavirus pandemic	\$13.5B formula grants to States for elementary and secondary education (90% distributed to local educational agencies) \$3B to governors for discretionary emergency support grants to local educational agencies \$14.25B for higher education emergency relief (at least 50% must be reserved for emergency financial aid grants to students)	Allocated to states and local agencies based on Title I aid formula; see <i>estimated</i> allocations here: https://www.cbpp.org/research/state-budget-and-tax/how-much-will-states-receive-through-the-education-stabilization-fund and other resources here: https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus Allocated to institutions of higher education via formula based on student enrollment; more info on allocations and accessing funds here: https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/cares-act.html

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT					
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Commerce	*\$300 million	CARES Act	Assist fishery participants	Tribes, persons, communities, fishery-related businesses impacted by pandemic (>35% revenue loss or impact to subsistence fisheries)	TBD
SBA		CARES Act	100% federal loan guarantees up to \$10M for Paycheck Protection Program May forgive loans if all employees kept on payroll for 8 weeks & money used for payroll, rent, mortgage interest, or utilities	Tribal Business Concerns (< 500 employees)	Apply by June 30 via an SBA 7(a) lender or through any federally insured depository institution, federally insured credit union, and Farm Credit System institution that is participating. More info: https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program-ppp
		FFCA	Disaster assistance loans up to \$2M for certain working capital needs	Small businesses and nonprofits	Apply through SBA (ongoing): https://www.sba.gov/disaster-assistance/coronavirus-covid-19
Treasury	*\$454 billion	CARES Act	Loans, guarantees, investments for impacted industries	Tribes, large businesses	TBD
		CARES Act	50% reimbursement of unemployment compensation	Tribes that are reimbursement-option employers	TBD; document unemployment insurance costs from March 13 to Dec. 31, 2020
	\$8 billion	CARES Act	General relief fund for expenditures incurred due to COVID-19 that not	Tribal governments and Tribally-owned entities	TBD Tribal consultation: April 9 at 1:00pm EDT (Call in number: 888-950-5924; Participant code:

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IRS		CARES Act	Refundable payroll tax credit of 50% of qualifying wages paid by employers	Tribes and other employers whose operations were suspended due to shutdown order or whose gross receipts declined by >50%	Request an advance via Form 7200: https://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-7200 . More details: https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-employee-retention-credit-available-for-many-businesses-financially-impacted-by-covid-19
DOL, ETA	*\$345 million	CARES Act	Grants to provide employment-related services for dislocated workers, including funding to create temporary employment opportunities and funding to meet the increased demand for employment and training services.	Eligible applicants for Disaster Recovery grants include Indian tribal governments. Eligible applicants for Employment Recovery grants are entities eligible for funding through the Indian and Native American program in WIOA Section 166(c)	Apply here (ongoing): https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=325616 Guidance on how to apply: https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/ETA/grants/pdfs/DWG-App-and-Mod-Instructions.pdf and https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/attach/TEGL/TEGL_12-19.pdf
EDA	*\$1.5 billion	CARES Act	Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) program grants to plan and implement economic recovery strategies in response to the coronavirus pandemic	Tribes and tribal organizations	Apply here (ongoing): https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=321695 More info: https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/IN/IN1303 and https://www.eda.gov/pdf/about/Economic-Adjustment-Assistance-Program-1-Pager.pdf