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Supplemental Disaster Relief Funds for Child Care: Tribes

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Background

- **Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act of 2019 (P.L. 116-20)**
 - Made \$30 million available to states, territories, and tribes administering the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) programs
- **Purpose**
 - To address the needs of impacted communities that are directly related to the consequences of a qualifying natural disaster
 - For phase two, tornadoes and floods occurring between June 13, 2019, and December 31, 2019

Funds Available

- The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) will award the disaster funds in two phases:
 - Phase one: Disaster declarations between **January 1, 2018,** and **June 12, 2019**
 - Phase two: Disaster declarations between **June 13, 2019,** and **December 31, 2019**
 - \$5 million reserved for phase two

Additional Phase One Tribes

ACF is aware of additional tribal grantees who were eligible for phase one funding but were inadvertently excluded from the initial list of eligible grantees. These grantees will submit their applications along with phase two applicants.

Funds Available (con.)

How are allocations determined?

Tribes with:	Phase One	Phase Two
Large allocations	\$100,000	\$50,000
Medium allocations	\$75,000	\$30,000
Small allocations	\$50,000	\$20,000

Allowable Activities

- Activities must address the needs of impacted communities and be directly related to the consequences of the natural disaster.
- Activities include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Renovating, repairing, or rebuilding child care facilities
 - Materials, supplies, furnishings, vehicles, and equipment
 - Mental health consultation
 - Quality improvement activities
 - Direct services
- Funds are available to reimburse obligations incurred prior to the date of enactment of the law.
- Funds are *not* available for costs that are reimbursed by FEMA or insurance.

Obligating and Expending Funds (Nonconstruction Funds)

	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Fiscal Year (FY)	10/1/19 to 9/30/20	10/1/20 to 9/30/21	10/1/21 to 9/30/22
FY 2020	Funds available	Obligate by 9/30/21	Liquidate by 9/30/22

Note: 477 grantees with approved Plans are not subject to obligation or liquidation periods.

How Will You Use these Funds?

- **Open discussion**
 - Please share your ideas.



Applying for Funds: Tribes with Direct CCDF Funding

- How do I submit the request?
 - Submit an amendment to your regional office as an FY 2020–2022 Tribal CCDF Plan amendment to section 2.4.2, page 92 (describe the emergency preparedness plan).
 - If more space is needed, then the request can continue in section 2.4.3, page 93.
 - Do not make edits to what was already approved. Instead use a header to indicate that this is the **Request for Supplemental Disaster Funds (Phase Two)**.

Applying for Funds: P. L. 102-477

- How do I submit a request?
 - 477 grantees with approved Plans will need to submit Plan amendments to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
 - 477 grantees with Continuation Plans or New Plans will need to add language to their pending Plans.

Note: 477 grantees are not subject to the CCDF obligation and liquidation periods and are not required to submit reporting information related to the ACF-696T.

Applying for Funds: Additional Phase One Tribes

- How do I submit the request for phase one?
 - Follow instructions for phase two submission by amending section 2.4.2 of the CCDF Plan or 477 Plan.
 - In the header, indicate the requests for both or one phase: **Request for Supplemental Disaster Funds (Phase One and Two)**.
 - If applying for phase one, include information relevant for each phase.

Applying for Funds (con.): All Tribes

- What should I include in the request?
 - Identify the named disaster or emergency.
 - Describe the impact/damage of the disaster.
 - Identify how the funds will be used to aid recovery through an allowable activity.
 - For additional phase one tribes, include information relevant for **each** phase.
- How will the request be approved?
 - OCC will review the application to determine if the activities are reasonable, allowable, cost effective, and necessary.

Recommendations

- Tribal Lead Agencies should inform their regional staff as soon as possible if they intend to apply for the supplemental disaster funds.
- Funding awards will vary depending on the number of applicants and allocation size.
 - OCC recommends Tribal Lead Agencies request the “**maximum amount available**” rather than specifying a dollar amount.
 - If a Tribal Lead Agency requires the award to be capped at a specific level (for example, if the request is for recouping finite costs), then it will be important to include the cap amount in the request.

Application Deadline

June 1, 2020

- Email your amendment.
 - Direct-funded tribes should email amendments to their regional offices.
 - 477 grantees should email amendments to their AOTR at BIA.

Reporting and Monitoring Requirements

- Tribal Lead Agencies must submit annual expenditure reports on the ACF-696T.
- ACF will monitor the Lead Agencies' compliance with applicable statutory and regulatory requirements for these funds by reviewing CCDF Plans and expenditure reports.
- ACF may use onsite monitoring reviews to ensure compliance with the use of these funds for recovery from qualifying natural disasters.

Construction or Major Renovation

- Construction and major renovation are allowable activities under the Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act.
- Definitions of construction and major renovation include the following:
 - Building a child care facility that does not currently exist
 - Structural changes to the foundation, roof, floor, exterior or load-bearing walls of a facility, or an extension of the floor area
 - Extensive alteration to a structure that significantly changes its function and purpose

Obligation and Liquidation Periods (Construction Funds)

	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
FY	10/1/19 to 9/30/20	10/1/20 to 9/30/21	10/1/21 to 9/30/22	10/1/22 to 9/30/23	10/1/23 to 9/30/24
FY 2020	Funds available			Obligate by 9/30/23	Liquidate by 9/30/24

Note: 477 grantees are not subject to obligation or liquidation periods.

Construction or Major Renovation: Applying for Funds

- How do I submit a request?
 - Complete the request/amendment process described above
 - When request has been approved, submit the **SF-429 Real Property Status Report—Cover page with Attachment B** in GrantSolutions OLDC system
- What should be included in the cover page?
 - A description of the qualifying major disaster or emergency and the Declaration of Emergency
 - A description of the damage caused by the disaster
 - How the funds will be used to repair the damage through an allowable activity

Construction or Major Renovation: Important Note

- Spending requirements **do not apply** to funds used for construction or renovation, including the following:
 - Quality expenditures
 - Infant/toddler quality expenditures
 - Direct services expenditures
 - Administrative cap

Construction or Major Renovation: Reporting and Monitoring

- **Notice of federal interest**
- Facilities constructed or renovated with CCDF funds may not be mortgaged, used as collateral, sold, or otherwise transferred to another party during the 10-year period without the prior written permission of ACF.
- Annual submissions of **SF-429 Real Property Status Report—Cover Page with Attachment A**
- Federal interest does not apply to privately owned family child care homes or minor renovations.

Addressing Your Questions



Technical Assistance Resources

- National Center on Tribal Early Childhood Development: <https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/centers/national-center-tribal-early-childhood-development>
- Office of Child Care: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/news/preparing-for-responding-to-and-recovering-from-severe-weather>
- Office of Child Care: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/emergency-preparedness-resources-for-grantees-and-child-care-providers>
- FEMA: <https://www.fema.gov/preparedness-resources-tribes>
- CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/tribal/data-resources/information/emergency-preparedness.html>
- BIA: <https://www.bia.gov/bia/ojs/emd>

Moving Forward

- For technical assistance, contact Gail Kelso, Child Care State Capacity Building Center, Child Care Disaster Relief and Recovery Specialist, at gail.kelso@icf.com.
- The disaster relief and recovery office hours are available every Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m. ET, which provides an opportunity to talk about the work. Contact Gail about how to join.

Next Steps

- If you have questions, reach out to your assigned OCC Program Specialist in the regional office.
- Current approved 477 Plans will need to reach out to your assigned contact at the BIA.
- Lead Agencies should inform their regional staff as soon as possible if they intend to apply for the supplemental disaster funds.
- Remember the deadline for submission of the Plan amendment to your regional office is June 1, 2020.

Final Questions?





Thank you for all you do for
children and families!