

Grants/Sponsorship/Wake & Funeral Policy

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The intent of the of the Grants; Sponsorship; Wake & Funeral Policy is to assist Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Nation Members with emergency expenses in one of the following five (5) categories: Medical Assistance; Financial Sponsorship; Financial Hardship; Educational Assistance; and Wake/Funeral Assistance,.

Maximum Assistance Guidelines

Maximum allowable amount per individual is \$500.00 per fiscal year (October thru September). An application is of last resort; all other options must be applied for and then denied.

Eligibility

The Chairman's office assistance those enrolled MHA Nation members who live off the reservation.

Applicant must be:

- Enrolled member of the Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation;
- 18 years or older;
- and **NOT** an employee Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation.

Medical Assistance – All medical assistance must be supported by an appointment slip and/ or a letter/documentation that states that you or an **immediate family member (wife, husband, companion, son, daughter, grandchild, mother, father, sister, brother, grandmother and grandfather)** was admitted to a hospital. Assistance may be granted as well if an immediate family member is in transit to or in the emergency room. A request can NOT be an appointment that has been rescheduled (emergency circumstances should have proof from the doctor) possible clause—"emergency reschedule" may be eligible for another check. There is no set amount; approval is based on need and budget of the Chairman's administration.

Maximum per Medical Emergency and Extended Stay – Discretion will be used to determine needs beyond aforementioned policy for concerns of medical emergencies that involve "life or limb" and or terminal illness, not to exceed a total of \$1,500.00 in all categories for assistance per fiscal year.

Educational Assistance – If a student requesting above the already available amount from the Higher Education Department, each may be eligible for assistance by maintaining the standards of the Higher Education Department.

- Maximum amount allowed for student is \$250.
- A student must be in good standing with Higher Education Department standards

- A student must provide a copy of current transcripts or official grades that demonstrate a 2.0.

Financial Sponsorship – Sponsorship in any form must be supported by letter of request and by documentation of event administering, attending, participating in and/or supporting.

- Applicant must provide a list of members if it is a team request, $\frac{3}{4}$ of team must be enrolled members or it will be prorated applicable to enrolled members.
- Applicant must provide a budget.
- Applicant must show proof of fundraising

Financial Hardship – An enrolled Tribal Member may need emergency financial assistance to pay utilities, make repairs, travel, etc. All hardship requests shall either have a letter from the individual stating their current situation or have the bill which they wish to receive help with. All financial hardship requests shall not exceed the amount of \$500. The \$500.00 is not a guarantee, approval is based on need and budget availability.

- Eligible requests may include but are not limited to past due bills such as: heat/propane, electricity, car payment, automobile repair costs, reconnect fees or possible maintenance costs to move back into a home like security and other deposits such as: utilities and rent, etc.

Wake/Funeral Assistance – Wake & Funeral assistance may be granted due a death in the family. Immediate family members (**wife, husband, companion, son, daughter, mother, father, sister, brother, grandmother and grandfather**) not associated with the already approved amount from the burial fund will be eligible for assistance. Funeral assistance must be supported by a letter/documentation from the funeral home that states a family has pass away.