

AS OF JULY 29, 2020



Frequently Asked Questions About

the Coronavirus Relief Funds General Welfare Program: PYTCARES

What is the PYT CARES Program?

- The Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona received Coronavirus Relief Funds, as part of CARES Act to assist tribes with unplanned expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Pascua Yaqui Tribal Council created the PYT CARES Program as a temporary, one-time assistance program to provide grants to tribal members that have been directly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The is intended to provide a “helping hand” during these difficult times and to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

Who is eligible?

- Enrolled tribal members who live in Arizona that have been most directly impacted by COVID-19 are able to apply for assistance. Tribal membership will be verified through the Pascua Yaqui Tribal Enrollment Department.

What can the PYT CARES Program help me with?

- Unplanned costs that are necessary for personal, living, and family expenses that could not be paid due to loss of employment or reduced wages due to COVID-19. These losses cannot have been covered by unemployment insurance and these costs cannot have been covered by other general assistance programs.

Why are only enrolled tribal members living in Arizona are eligible?

- The U.S. Treasury’s formula for funding was based on the tribe’s census numbers in Arizona.

What are the time frames I must prove I have been impacted by the Coronavirus?

- Enrolled tribal members must have been impacted by COVID-19 between **March 1, 2020 and October 30, 2020**. Individuals applying for assistance must prove that they have been impacted by COVID-19 and will be required to provide documentation. The CARES Act funding is limited and will be available on a first-come first served basis.

When is the deadline to submit my applications and documents?

- Completed applications must be submitted no later than **October 30, 2020 (or until funds are available)**.
- ON-LINE APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED AT: <https://covid19.pascuayaqui-nsn.gov/pyt-cares/>
- CALL **(520) 879-5640** for additional information.

Where can I find out more information regarding the Coronavirus Relief Funds?

- For information on the CARES Act, the U.S Treasury’s website is: <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments>

Who do I contact for help?

- Due to COVID-19, we are practicing physical distancing. Please do not come in-person unless you have scheduled appointment.
- It is best to email: PYTCARES@pascuayaqui-nsn.gov
- Or leave a message at **(520) 879-5640**. Or visit the PYT COVID website at: <https://covid19.pascuayaqui-nsn.gov/>

Thank you in advance for your patience, we are helping many people with this process.