

The Capital Projects Fund will deliver \$100 million in funding for Tribal governments.

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Treasury allocates Tribal governments and the State of Hawaii approximately \$167,504 each under this provision.

Treasury has also provided a [SAMPLE Capital Projects Fund Application](#) in PDF form so that Tribal Governments can review the application requirements to assist in completing the application. Please note that **all application submissions must be completed through the Capital Projects Fund portal**, accessible via the “Apply for the Capital Projects Fund” button.

Application Checklist

Treasury prepared a [Capital Projects Fund Tribal Government Application Checklist](#) to assist with completing the application.

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Look at the the Treasury FAQ for information on uses of the funds.

Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund Frequently Asked Questions AS OF JANUARY 4, 2022

[Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund Frequently Asked Questions \(treasury.gov\)](#)

Relevant FAQ information is excerpted here:

3. Tribal Governments

3.1. How has Treasury determined the amount each Tribal government will receive in CPF grant funding?

Each Tribal government and the State of Hawaii (for Native Hawaiian Programs) are allocated an equal amount of approximately **\$167,504** in line with the statutory text, which requires Treasury to allocate funds to these governments in “equal shares.”

3.2. For Tribal government applicants, who is an “Authorized Representative”?

For Tribal governments, an “Authorized Representative” is the individual who will sign the necessary application certifications and the Grant Agreement on behalf of the eligible applicant.

There are two types of Authorized Representatives for Tribal governments:

1. an individual who is duly authorized by virtue of his or her position in the Tribal government (e.g., Tribal leader, chief executive officer), or
2. an individual who has been designated authority to act on behalf of the eligible applicant by a duly authorized Tribal official.

For the second type, a designation letter must be submitted on official letterhead by the duly authorized Tribal official that specifically delegates responsibilities related to a Capital Projects Fund grant. These responsibilities include certifying the application and executing the Grant Agreement on behalf of the eligible Tribal government.

Tribal governments may apply on behalf of other Tribal governments, and joint Tribal organizations (e.g., Tribal consortiums) may apply on behalf of multiple Tribal governments. A designation letter, as described above, must be submitted by each Tribal government that delegates responsibilities to the external entity applying on their behalf.

For example, if Tribal Consortium W is applying on behalf of Tribal governments X, Y, and Z, Treasury must receive three designation letters on official letterhead, one from each Tribal government's duly authorized Tribal official (X, Y, and Z) that states that Tribal Consortium W has permission to act on their behalf. Tribal Consortium W should upload these letters to Treasury's Submission Portal.

3.3. Can a Tribal government apply for CPF grants through another Tribal government or consortium?

Yes. Tribal governments may apply on behalf of other Tribal governments, and Tribal consortiums and similar joint Tribal organizations may also apply on behalf of multiple Tribes. If any entity (a different Tribal government, a consortium, etc.) is applying on behalf of an eligible applicant, the eligible applicant must grant the other entity the authority to apply and enter into agreements on their behalf. A designation letter must be submitted to show that the eligible applicant has authorized this other entity.

3.4. Do Tribal governments need to submit a Grant Plan?

The application for the Capital Projects Fund will also serve as the Grant Plan for Tribal governments. Tribal governments do not need to submit separate Grant Plans.

3.5. Can a State award CPF grant funding to a Tribal government as a subrecipient?

Yes. A State may award CPF grants to subrecipients. Subrecipients may include other levels or units of government, nonprofits, private entities, or Tribal governments.

Tribal governments are also eligible to apply for CPF grants directly, as each Tribal government and the State of Hawaii (for Native Hawaiian Programs) are allocated an equal amount of approximately \$167,504 in line with Section 604 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

3.6. Can Tribal governments use their entire CPF award towards planning for a project that is primarily funded by other sources? [1/4]

Yes. Tribal government recipients may use a portion or all of their CPF grant award towards **planning for a project that is primarily funded by other sources**. Tribal government recipients must ensure that the target project complies with CPF statutory requirements, all other applicable federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, and Treasury’s CPF Guidance for Tribal Governments. Specifically, the target project must be designed to address a critical need in the community and directly enable work, education, and health monitoring in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency. The project must also be operational before the end of the period of performance (December 31, 2026). Tribal government recipients should ensure that the target project is an acceptable use of funds for the other funding source(s). Treasury will review the Tribal government’s CPF application and may request additional information. Tribal governments may be required to report on the project and should expect additional details in forthcoming reporting guidance.

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Brief highlight:

- Tribal government must apply by June 1, 2022

Treasury Capital Projects Fund for Broadband – Tribal Government

- Each tribe is allocated \$167,504
- Funds may be used for planning projects that will be funded from other sources

Treasury ARPA Section 605 American Rescue Plan Act: Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund.

<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/226/Dear-Tribal-Leader-Letter-Sec-605-Consultation.pdf>

Sec. 605 of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund. The consultations will be held February 8, 9, and 10 at 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT.

ARPA created a \$2 billion Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund for counties and **Tribal governments** and allocates \$250 million to Tribal governments for fiscal years 2022 and 2023. **The statute provides that this fund may be used for any governmental purpose,** except for lobbying activities. The Secretary has discretion to develop a distribution methodology taking into the account economic conditions of each eligible Tribe.

Section 605 asks the Secretary to consider the “economic conditions” of eligible Tribal governments. What data should Treasury use to measure economic conditions that can be consistently applied to Tribes of varying sizes and land bases?