

02 Tribal TANF Assistance Programs

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The Personal Responsibility and Work Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA) was signed into law on August 22, 1996. Section 412 of PRWORA allows tribal governments the opportunity to develop, establish and administer their own TANF programs. Tribes are given the authority to apply directly to the [HHS](#) in order to carry out this process.

Tribal TANF participants may not receive duplicate assistance from the state [CA Program](#) or other Tribal TANF Programs.

Tribal TANF participants do not have a choice between state CA or a Tribal TANF program.

Use the Tribal TANF program policy and procedures to determine what actions must be taken for applicants living in a Tribal TANF program Service Delivery Area (SDA).

NOTE Eligibility factors not listed in the specific Tribal TANF policy remain the same as state CA eligibility factors.

The following Tribal TANF Programs are in effect in Arizona:

- [Hopi Family Assistance Program \(HFAP\)](#)
- [Navajo Nation Department for Self Reliance \(NND SR\)](#)
- [Pascua Yaqui YOEME \(PY YOEME\)](#)
- [Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community LEARN \(SRP-MIC LEARN\)](#)
- [San Carlos Apache Nnee Bich' o Nii TANF \(SC-TANF\)](#)
- [White Mountain Apache TANF \(WMAT-TANF\)](#)

When any of the following situations occur, send the CA-Change in Service Area (A753) notice advising the participant of a change to the household's eligibility for Tribal TANF due to a change in SDA:

- A state CA case moves to a PY YOEME or HFAP Tribal TANF SDA
- A PY YOEME or HFAP Tribal TANF case moves out of their SDA
- The state CA case is closed due to the budgetary unit moving to one of the following Tribal TANF SDAs:

NNSDR
SRP-MIC LEARN
SCAT
WMAT-TANF

The following tribes do not currently have a Tribal TANF program in effect. Eligibility must be determined for these tribes using the state CA eligibility factors.

- Ak-Chin
- Cocopah
- Colorado River
- Fort McDowell Yavapai
- Fort Mojave
- Fort Yuma-Quechan
- Gila River
- Havasupai
- Hualapai
- Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians
- San Juan Southern Paiute
- Tohono O'odham
- Tonto Apache
- Yavapai Apache
- Yavapai-Prescott
- Zuni Pueblo

NOTE When the budgetary unit resides in a Tribal Native Employment Works (NEW) service delivery area, and at least one participant is an enrolled tribal member, see [Tribal NEW](#) for FAA responsibilities and referral procedures. For TPEP, CA benefits are not placed on hold. To complete TPEP CA approval, see [TPEP Work Program Exemptions](#).

Determine eligibility for state CA when a budgetary unit does not meet the following Tribal TANF Program eligibility requirements:

- Tribal enrollment of specific individuals

- Resides in a Tribal TANF SDA

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