A Eligibility Requirements - Hopi Tribal TANF

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Hopi TANF eligibility is limited to otherwise eligible <u>CA budgetary</u> units that meet ALL of the following:

- The budgetary unit lives in the <u>HOPI-TANF Service Delivery</u> <u>Area (SDA)</u>.
- Verification that at least one participant in the Hopi TANF budgetary unit is an enrolled Hopi tribal member.

A Hopi budgetary unit may consist of one of the following:

- A single parent with a deprived dependent child.
- Two-parents with a dependent child deprived due to the unemployment, underemployment or disability of either parent.
- An adult pregnant participant in their third trimester with no other dependent child. (See Tribal CA-PG)
- An Unwed Minor Parent who is pregnant or who has a deprived dependent child.
- Married Minor Parents who are pregnant or who have a deprived dependent child.
- A caretaker relative caring for a deprived dependent child.
 (See <u>HOPI Caretaker Relative</u> for additional requirements.)

A child may be deprived due to one or more of the following:

- The death of a parent
- The physical disability, mental disability, or incapacity of a parent
- The unemployment or underemployment of a parent

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A lack of parental support of an absent parent

NOTE When a parent is physically out of the home, but still assists with decisions about parenting the child, there is NO deprivation due to absence. The PI must be given the choice to add the absent parent to the Tribal TANF budgetary unit. When the PI chooses NOT to add the absent parent then there is no deprivation and the child is not eligible for Tribal TANF benefits.

When there are no deprived dependent children included in the budgetary unit, the Tribal TANF case must be denied or closed using the DC Denial or Closure Reason Code.

(See HOPI-TANF Special Keying Requirements)