

Application Guidelines

Wyandotte Nation 55+ Program

*Wyandotte Nation Tribal Citizens nationwide, 55 and older are eligible for a maximum benefit of \$800 for the year.

This Program combines the Sr Energy Assistance and the Elders Assistance programs into one.

DUE DATES

The Program Year is from October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027.

All applications and receipts must be turned in or postmarked by the deadline date.

Please allow up to 30 days for processing.

UTILITY PAYMENTS

When applying for direct utility payments please submit a copy of your full utility statement and provide amount to be paid. Please continue to pay your bill as usual. A credit will be made to your account.

REIMBURSEMENT

Eligible Items - include, but are not limited to: Household expenses, Utilities, Rent, Auto Repair, Groceries, Fuel, etc.

Non-eligible Items - Payments made for Credit Card Statements, Cash back at register, Gift cards, Alcohol, Cigarettes, Tobacco, Restaurant tip not recorded on the final receipt, Benny card purchases or Utility bill statement that was previously paid with tribal funds.

Receipts - MUST have the Following: DATE, ITEM, ITEM PRICE, SUBTOTAL, TAX, TOTAL AND PAYMENT METHOD.

- Please do not alter receipts by writing on them, highlighting or taping them.
- Paying with Cash must be reflected as paid with a zero balance.
- ***Handwriting the "check number" or "paid", on the invoice, will not be accepted.***
- If turning in a utility bill for reimbursement, it must reflect the actual processed payment.

Proof of Payment - Examples: *Itemized Store Receipts *Copy of Front and Back of Canceled/Cleared Check

Please Note - Copy of Debit or Credit Card Statement can only be used to support the itemized receipt .

DIRECT PAY

Examples include, but are not limited to: Utilities and Rent.

You may be asked to provide a W9 and/or additional documentation.

Please call if you have any questions about other direct pay options.

DIRECT DEPOSIT for Reimbursement

If you have Direct Deposit on file with the tribe, please make sure all banking information is current. If there have been any changes, you will need to submit the proper paperwork before submitting your application.

55+ PROGRAM APPLICATION

October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027 - allow up to 30 days for processing

Tribal Citizens nationwide, 55 and older, are eligible for a maximum benefit of \$800.
Applications and receipts are due in office or post marked by September 30, 2027.
(Receipts need to be dated after turning 55)

Applicant Roll #: _____ Applicant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Is this new address? yes__ no__

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Phone Number: _____

Are you currently enrolled with any other Federally Recognized Tribe? Yes__ No__
If so, which tribe? _____

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE

Select option below-please review guidelines for more information

☐ **REIMBURSEMENT** - I have already paid for an eligible purchase and I am requesting reimbursement.

AMOUNT REQUESTED:

\$ _____

If you have already paid for an eligible purchase, please provide proof of payment. See Guidelines for acceptable forms of payment.

What are we reimbursing for : _____

☐ **UTILITY PAYMENT** - I am requesting assistance with a natural gas, propane, or electric bill.

AMOUNT REQUESTED:

GAS:

\$ _____

PROPANE:

\$ _____

ELECTRIC:

\$ _____

VENDOR NAME: _____

☐ **DIRECT PAYMENT TO VENDOR** - I am requesting that payment be made directly to a vendor on my behalf.



Please list the vendor to be paid and provide a copy of the invoice. A W9 may be required if we have not made a previous payment.

VENDOR NAME: _____

AMOUNT REQUESTED:

\$ _____

I certify that I have completed all questions and that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I acknowledge that falsification of information may result in penalties.

Print Name of Who We are Paying: _____

Signature of Tribal Citizen: _____ Date: _____