

FUND DISTRIBUTION PROCESS

Program: Economic Development (TPA)

Type of Funding: Recurring (Base)

Funding Authority/Responsibility: 25 U.S.C. 1451 et seq. (The Indian Financing Act of 1974): Pub.L. 93-262, as amended; 98 Stat. 1725, Pub.L. 98-449. 2 U.S.C. 661 (Budget Enforcement Act of 1990, Title V - The Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, Section 13112), 104 Stat. 1388, Pub.L. 101 508. 25 U.S.C. 305 (The Act of August 27, 1935): 49 Stat. 891, Pub.L. 74-355; 104 Stat. 4662, Pub.L. 101-644 (Indian Arts and Crafts Act of 1990).

The Director, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development is responsible for this program.

Criteria for Distribution:

Funding under this program is distributed as base funding to tribes via contracts or compacts to promote economic growth throughout Indian country. The funding assists tribes in developing programs to build business and commercial capacity for individual tribal members, as well as opportunities for business and energy development to enhance reservation economies. Other tribal programs supported by this funding provide services such as credit counseling, budget counseling, consumer finance education, lending programs and affordable financing.

Funding distributions are based upon historical base distributions and tribal transfers of funding.

Distribution Process:

The Office of Budget and Performance Management (OBPM) makes distributions using the Tribal Priority Allocation (TPA) tables directly to the regions and OSG tribal fund centers for processing to the tribes. (Within 5 days of apportionment.)

Regional Processing:

- Indian Self Determination (ISD) Awarding Official negotiates terms, conditions of award, including payments. They calculate Contract Support Costs and prepare contract award/modifications in PRISM. (within 5 days)
- The ISD Awarding Official prints and mails the award/modification to tribe for review and acceptance. (within 5 days)
- Tribal elected official approves award/modification and returns the documentation to the Region/Agency.
- The ISD Awarding Official executes the award/modification and releases the obligation in PRISM. PRISM interfaces with ASAP and funds are available to tribes. (within 3 days of receipt of signed document)

OSG Processing:

- Once both OSG and OBPM are in agreement with the distribution list, a FED document is processed to OSG for distribution. (within 3 business days.)
- OSG will process the FED, subsequent PR, and obligate funding. (within 7 business days.)

Tribes log into ASAP to draw funds into their account.