

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving FY 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Membership Economic Impact
Payment II Budget and COVID-19 Economic Impact General Welfare
Assistance Program Description and Guidelines)

RESOLUTION NO. 24-401

1 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is authorized "to manage any funds
2 within the exclusive control of the Tohono O'odham Nation . . . and to appropriate
3 these funds for the benefit of the nation and its members" provided that "[a]ll
4 expenditures of these funds shall be pursuant to appropriations or budgets"
5 authorized by resolution or ordinance (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham
6 Nation, Article VI, Section 1(d)(2)); and

7 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Nation ("Nation") received funding from the United States'
8 American Rescue Plan ("Recovery Funds") established by the American Rescue
9 Plan Act of 2021 (ARP Act"), which are not subject to probate or beneficiary
10 payments; and

11 **WHEREAS,** the General Welfare Economic Impact Payment II Program of the Tohono
12 O'odham Nation is intended to provide Indian general welfare assistance
13 benefits in accordance with the general welfare doctrine, Internal Revenue Code
14 Section 139E, and the Nation's General Welfare Law, 22 T.O.C. Chapter 3; and

15 **WHEREAS,** this Program reflects the Nation's exercise of its inherent sovereign right to
16 promote the general welfare of the Nation, its self-determination, culture, and
17 tradition, by providing general welfare assistance, including Indian general
18 welfare benefits within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 139E; and

19 **WHEREAS,** the Nation recognizes that as a direct result of the COVID Pandemic the current
20 economic conditions have placed additional financial burdens on the Tohono
21 O'odham Nation's members; and

22 **WHEREAS,** the Nation has prepared and submitted for review and approval its FY 2025
23 Tohono O'odham Nation Membership Economic Impact Payment II Budget,
24 which is incorporated by this reference, in the total amount of \$16,059,000.00 to
25 be funded from the Recovery Funds and its interest; and

26 **WHEREAS,** on November 5, 2024 the COVID-19 Economic Impact General Welfare Assistance
27 Program Description and Guidelines were approved by Chairman Jose; and

28 **WHEREAS,** the Budget and Finance Committee has reviewed the FY 2025 Tohono O'odham
29 Nation Membership Economic Impact Payment II Budget and the COVID-19
30 Economic Impact General Welfare Assistance Program Description and
31 Guidelines.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council:

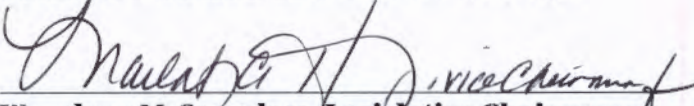
- 1. approves the FY 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Membership Economic Impact Payment II Budget effective October 1, 2024 in the amount of \$16,059,000.00, which shall be funded by the Recovery Funds and its interest; and**
- 2. approves the COVID-19 Economic Impact General Welfare Assistance Program Description and Guidelines, which set eligibility requirements and exclude former Nation's members who have relinquished.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the FY 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Membership Economic Impact Payment II budget and its funds are not subject to probate or beneficiary payments.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that the Tohono O'odham Nation chairperson or any designated official is authorized to administer and expend the FY 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Membership Economic Impact Payment II Budget, provided that any amendments or modifications shall be submitted for prior approval by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 21ST day of NOVEMBER 2024 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,984.3 FOR; 279.0 AGAINST; [01]NOT VOTING; and -0- ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(d)(2) and (3) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL


Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

20th day of December, 2024

ATTEST:


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

21 day of December, 2024

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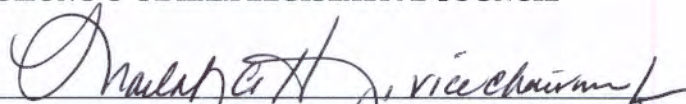
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Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 22nd day of November, 2024 at 12:40 o'clock, P.m., pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of submittal.

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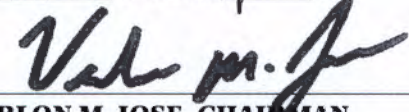

Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

APPROVED

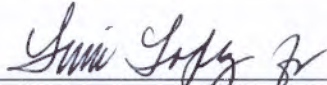
on the 22nd day of November, 2024

DISAPPROVED

at 2:13 o'clock, P.m.


VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 22 day of November, 2024, at 3:20 o'clock, P.m.


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPROVING FY 2025 TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION MEMBERSHIP ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENT II BUDGET AND COVID-19 ECONOMIC IMPACT GENERAL WELFARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND GUIDELINES

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN JANICE FELIX

SECOND: VICE CHAIRWOMAN MARLAKAY HENRY

DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2024

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 394.2	1. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling) 2. JESSE NAVABRO (Alberta J. Ray)	197.1 197.1	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 354.7	1. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone) 2. MARLAKAY HENRY ()	177.35 177.35	X X			
GU ACHI 282.7	1. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin) 2. JEROME F. JOAQUIN ()	141.35 141.35	X X			
GU VO 276.0	1. DALLAS LEWIS () 2. LESLIE LUNA ()	138.0 138.0	X X			
HICKIWAN 220.5	1. DELMA M. GARCIA () 2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	110.25 110.25	X X			
PISINEMO 236.2	1. EDWARD D. MANUEL () 2. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas)	118.1 118.1	X X			
SAN LUCY 257.6	1. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews) 2. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eller)	128.8 128.8	X X			
SAN XAVIER 244.5	1. JANICE FELIX () 2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ()	122.25 122.25	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 191.8	1. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco) 2. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	95.9 95.9	X		X	
SELLS 558.0	1. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Arvada Liston) 2. JANET B. ELEANDO ()	279.0 279.0	X	X		
SIF OIDAK 247.1	1. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA () 2. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	123.55 123.55	X X			
	TOTAL	3,263.30	2,984.3	279.0	[01]	-0-