

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
(Approving FY 2027 Department of Health and Human Services Division of Family  
Assistance Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program Budget)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 26-154**

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 Department of Health and Human Services has prepared and submitted for  
8 review and approval its FY 2027 Division of Family Assistance Low Income Home  
9 Energy Assistance Program ("LIHEAP") Budget, which is incorporated by this  
10 reference, in the amount of \$125,000.00 to be funded by the Nation's general fund  
11 pending reimbursement by the grantor, the State of Arizona Department of  
12 Economic Security Division of Aging and Adult Services Community Action  
13 Program; and

14 **WHEREAS,** the Health and Human Services and Budget and Finance Committees have  
15 reviewed the FY 2027 Department of Health and Human Services Division of  
16 Family Assistance LIHEAP Budget and recommend its approval.

17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the  
18 FY 2027 Department of Health and Human Services Division of Family Assistance  
19 LIHEAP Budget effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027 in amount of  
20 \$125,000.00, which shall be funded by the Nation's general fund pending  
21 reimbursement from the grantor, the State of Arizona Department of Economic  
22 Security Division of Aging and Adult Services Community Action Program.

23 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that the Tohono O'odham  
24 Nation chairperson or any designated official is authorized to administer and  
25 expend the FY 2027 Department of Health and Human Services Division of Family  
26 Assistance LIHEAP Budget, provided that any amendments or modifications shall  
27 be submitted for prior approval by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council.

28 **The foregoing Resolution** was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 05<sup>TH</sup>  
29 day of **MAY 2026** at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,321.1 FOR; -0-  
30 AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [01] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by  
31 Article VI, Section 1(d)(2) and (3) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by  
32 the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant  
33 Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June  
34 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).

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*Wavalene M. Saunders*

Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

7 day of May, 2026

ATTEST:

*Evonne Wilson*

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

7 day of May, 2026

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 8 day of May, 2026 at 9:38 o'clock, a.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.

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

*Wavalene M. Saunders*

Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

APPROVED

on the 8 day of May, 2026

DISAPPROVED

at 10 o'clock, A.m.

*Verlon M. Jose*

VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 8 day of

May, 2026, at 10:00 o'clock, a.m.

*Evonne Wilson*

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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**ACTION: APPROVING FY 2027 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BUDGET**

**MOVED: COUNCILMAN DANIEL L.A. PRESTON, III**

**SECOND: COUNCILMAN NED NORRIS, JR.**

**DATE: MAY 05, 2026**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez) 2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA ( )	125.6 125.6	X X			
SELLS 565.7	1. JANET B. ELEANDO ( ) 2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Juan Buendia)	282.85 282.85	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 195.3	1. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine) 2. DELISA M. RAMON (Quintin C. Lopez)	97.65 97.65	X X			
SAN XAVIER 249.8	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ( ) 2. JANICE FELIX ( )	124.9 124.9	X X			
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler) 2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	133.15 133.15	X X			
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas) 2. NAOMI MONTE (Edward D. Manuel)	120.15 120.15	X X			
HICKIWAN 222.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega) 2. DELMA M. GARCIA ( )	111.45 111.45	X X			
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA ( ) 2. BENNETT CHEWING ( )	139.8 139.8	X X			
GU ACHI 289.2	1. GLORIA JOHNSON ( ) 2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Victoria A. Hobbs)	144.6 144.6	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY ( ) 2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Cornelius Antone) ( <i>Present</i> )	180.95 180.95	X X			X
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO ( ) 2. NED NORRIS, JR. (Leander Mase)	199.45 199.45	X X			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,321.1</b>	<b>3,321.1</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>[01]</b>