

# Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

## Program Overview for Tribal Partners

Program Year 2027 · October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027

This is a consultation for the CSBG program requesting tribal approval to proceed with the FFY27 application. Below you will find a description of the program, a breakdown of the anticipated budget, program/application requirements, and the next steps we are requesting from you to proceed.

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## 1. Abstract

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**Agency:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Community Services (OCS)

**Program:** Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

**Assistance Listing:** 93.568

**Funding Type:** Formula grant to eligible Tribes and Tribal Organizations under the CSBG Act (42 U.S.C. § 9901 et seq.)

**Project Duration:** October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2028 (FY2027 & FY2028, two-year plan)

**Application Due:** September 1, 2026

**SPIPA Project Lead:** Debbie Gardipee-Reyes

### Purpose of the project

CSBG is long-standing SPIPA programming, integrated with each Tribe's broader social services mix and coordinated with 477, TANF, ICW, and other Tribal programs. SPIPA's lower indirect rate and centralized Fiscal Services allow a higher share of funds to reach program services at the Tribal level. SPIPA proposes to continue serving as CSBG lead applicant and grant administrator for five federally recognized consortium Tribes — Chehalis, Nisqually, Shoalwater Bay, Skokomish, and Squaxin Island — for the FY2027–FY2028 plan period. CSBG funds support each Tribe's locally directed anti-poverty work: emergency assistance, housing stability, food and nutrition, employment supports, and related services delivered through Tribal Family or Social Services departments.

### Activities to be performed

Services are organized under the CSBG core service categories and delivered through each Tribe's Family or Social Services Department under an executed MOA with SPIPA. Typical activities include:

- Emergency assistance (rent, utilities, food, transportation)
- Housing stability and minor home repair
- Food and nutrition support, including Elder food delivery
- Employment and pre-employment supports
- Education, youth development, and cultural capacity programming
- Financial literacy, budgeting, and asset-building
- Coordination and linkages with TANF, 477, LIHEAP, and other Tribal/federal programs

## 2. Budget

Planning budget for Program Year 2027. SPIPA administers all funds; assistance is distributed to eligible households based on individual eligibility and need, not by Tribal allocation. Formula award — total amount determined by ACF allotment and not guaranteed. Statutory split: administrative expenses not more than 5%; program funds not less than 95%.

No match is required. No subrecipient monitoring beyond the SPIPA-to-Tribe MOA structure. Single Audit applies for SPIPA (expends \$750,000 or more in federal awards in the fiscal year).

### Estimated Budget Amount

- No greater than \$28,500 total annually for 2 years with 5% indirect costs
- Estimated \$5,400 per Tribe annually for 2 years

CSBG is a formula grant. Allocation is a statutory formula determined by the ACF and is subject to change once awarded.

Recent Allocations:

- FY26 — \$21,368\*\* (so far)
- FY25 — \$28,310
- FY24 — \$28,481
- FY23 — \$28,310
- FY22 — \$27,763

CSBG is a formula-based block grant; the amounts shown are planning figures and are not guaranteed award amounts.

## 3. Application Requirements

- SF-424 application forms.
- Submission method: GrantSolutions - OLDC
- **Community Needs Assessment Survey (CNAS): Surveys will need to be conducted as part of the application. Debbie Gardipee-Reyes will distribute the CNAS directly to program managers at each Tribal site**
- Application due: September 1, 2026.

### Tribal Council Resolution

A Tribal Council Resolution is not a required component of the CSBG application. However, under its own consultation and resolution policy, SPIPA still requests one from each participating Tribe. The resolution should cover:

- Please return Tribal Resolutions before Friday, Jul 31, 2026.\

### Memorandum of Agreement

As funds do pass through SPIPA to the Tribes, an MOA is required for this application.

## 5. Summary Checklist — Next Steps for Tribal Partners

Request for Tribe:	Due by
Confirm participation — reply to SPIPA with approval to proceed and/or if your Tribe is taking part.	ASAP
Tribal Council Resolution signed and returned to SPIPA.	07/31/2026