

NAVAJO NATION GAMING DISTRIBUTION PLAN

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BACKGROUND

- The Navajo Nation Gaming Distribution Plan provides for the distribution of net gaming revenues received from Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise (NNGE).
- NNGE provided some funds to the NN and the BFC approved that funds would go to host and non-host Chapters.

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- In expending the gaming funds, it is important to note that the Internal Procedures must comply with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and Navajo Nation law.

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Indian Gaming Regulatory Act

- Purpose of the gaming revenues :
 - Fund tribal government operations and/or programs;
 - Provide for the general welfare of the tribe and its members;
 - Promote tribal economic development;
 - Donate to charitable organizations; and/or
 - Help fund operations of local government agencies

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Internal Procedures

Considering the purpose of IGRA, the following are allowable to use gaming funds:

- Utility expenses;
- Telecommunication expenses;
- Pre-development expenses;
- Capital Improvement Projects i.e. Chapter house, senior citizen center, multipurpose building, solid waste transfer station.

Public Purpose

- Please keep in mind that when the Chapter submits a proposal for one of those purposes, **it has to benefit the community as a whole.** In other words, power/waterlines for individuals home members would be a violation of IGRA even if it for a large group of individuals.

Required general documents

- Transmittal cover letter;
- Funding request plan;
- Valid chapter resolution;
- Detail budget forms 1, 2, and 4, and
- Expenditure authorization form.

PROCESS-Capital Improvement

- Once the general documents are received and are sufficient, the chapter must submit specific documents relating to the type of project.
- Once CPMD deems all documents are received and sufficient, THE Review Team will review all Capital Improvement Project proposals.
- Review Team: OOC, OMB, NNGRO, DCD, and DOJ.

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REMINDER

- The Capital Improvement projects has to be on your 5 priority listing.
- Needs to be a public purpose;
- Cannot reimburse for services already provided/paid for;
- The NN will pay the contractor directly.

QUESTIONS?