



# COLORADO RIVER INDIAN TRIBES

## Colorado River Indian Reservation

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### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

September 24, 2024

Dear Tribal Member:

Tribal Council has approved a 2024 General Welfare Assistance payment of \$2,000.00 for each CRIT Tribal Member. CRIT Tribal members, both minors and adults, who are enrolled with CRIT as of November 1, 2024 are eligible to receive assistance. **Tribal Members MUST submit an application to receive a General Assistance Payment for 2024.** An application is included with this letter for your use and is also available online at <https://www.crit-nsn.gov/>.

This 2024 General Welfare Assistance payment replaces the annual Tribal Distribution Payment. The benefits to the membership are that the General Welfare Assistance payment is NOT income subject to federal taxes and should not impact eligibility for benefits such as SSI and food stamps. You will not be issued a 1099 for this payment. Please review the General Welfare Plan for more information.

Tribal Members will receive their General Welfare Assistance payment by mail or by direct deposit into a bank account after submitting their application. Parents or legal guardians may request direct deposit for their eligible minor tribal member children into an account owned by the parent or the child. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SUBMIT A NEW DIRECT DEPOSIT FORM WITH YOUR APPLICATION IF YOU INTEND TO RECEIVE YOUR GENERAL WELFARE ASSISTANCE PAYMENT IN SAME BANK ACCOUNT AS YOU RECEIVED YOUR 2023 GENERAL WELFARE ASSISTANCE PAYMENT.**

The General Welfare Assistance payment will be mailed or direct deposited as follows:

#### Application and Forms Due Date

#### Payment Issued

Must be received by Accounting:

October 18, 2024  
November 22, 2024  
December 20, 2024  
After December 20, 2024  
and before December 31, 2025

November 21, 2024  
December 19, 2024  
January 16, 2025  
Payments issued monthly on a rolling basis

If you want to receive your General Welfare Assistance payment by direct deposit, you must submit the attached Direct Deposit Authorization Form along with a voided check to CRIT Accounting. If you do not have a direct deposit authorization form on file from last year, or do not submit one for 2024 with your application, your payment will be mailed to the address on your application. The mailing address you provide on the application will be used to update your address with both enrollment and accounting. A self-addressed stamped envelope is included for your use to return the forms or the forms can be dropped off in person at Tribal Administration. Additionally, the application and forms can be emailed to [GWA@crit-nsn.gov](mailto:GWA@crit-nsn.gov).

Please note that the checks for eligible minor tribal members will be issued in the name of the child and not the parents. Parents or guardians **must** submit proof of their right to receive the distribution on behalf of their child by submitting an application with a copy of the birth certificate listing the parent(s), and if applicable, a court order establishing legal custody and placement before checks will be mailed or the payment directly deposited.

Checks will not be issued to the parent(s) if they do not have the care and custody of their children. Guardians and custodians of minors who are not the child's legal parent shall be required to provide a court order indicating their status. Payments for children in the physical care and custody of CRIT Social Services or other state or tribal agencies shall be held in an account established by CRIT Accounting.

**Tribal Members must apply for the 2024 General Welfare Assistance Payments no later than December 31, 2025 after which a 2024 payment will not be available.**

Please be advised that if you are in default on a debt you owe to the Colorado River Indian Tribes or its enterprises, you may voluntarily agree to apply your General Welfare Assistance to the loan or other outstanding debt in default. If you have any questions about outstanding debts in default please contact Tracey Quillen at (928) 669-1239.

If you have any questions regarding General Welfare Assistance or you have an agency incorrectly treating this payment as income please contact the Office of the Attorney General at (928) 669-1271.

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TRIBAL COUNCIL

 **ACTING**  
Amelia Flores  
Tribal Chairwoman