



Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for Tribal Governments

The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds will deliver **\$20 billion** in funding for Tribal governments. These funds represent an historic investment in Indian Country and provide a substantial infusion of resources to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery. These funds can support, but are not limited to:

- Provide premium pay for essential workers, offering additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors.
- Replace lost revenue for Tribal governments to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs.
- Support immediate stabilization for households and businesses in Indian Country.
- Address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic on Tribal communities., including **investing in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure,** and to expand access to broadband internet.

Tribes can apply for funding [here](#).

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Today, EPA’s Office Water (OW) is excited to announce the launch of its new website, [Clean and Safe Water in Indian Country](#). The website is intended to serve as a resource for tribal environmental professionals, bringing together information and resources for clean and safe drinking water from across the Agency. The website provides information about EPA’s national tribal water program as well as tools, training opportunities, and funding programs available to tribes. To access the website, please visit <https://www.epa.gov/tribalwater>.

While you’re there, click the link to “[subscribe](#)” to OW’s National Tribal Water Program’s [Monthly e-Newsletter](#) to receive time-sensitive information and announcements relating to tribal consultation opportunities, funding announcements, trainings and events, and recent water-related news and announcements from the Agency.

18th Annual EPA Drinking Water Workshop: Small System Challenges and Solutions

EPA’s free annual drinking water workshop, held in partnership with the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators (ASDWA), will take place from August 30th to September 2nd. The workshop will be virtual again this year and will provide in-depth information and training on solutions and strategies for handling small drinking water system challenges with a focus on monitoring, distribution, source, and treatment topics.

When: August 30 - September 2, 2021

Click [here](#) for more information.

Upcoming Regulatory Dates (Refer to Tickler for System-Specific Information)

| Date | Event | Location |
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| Last day of every calendar month | Last day to collect monthly total coliform samples | Sites approved on your RTCR sample plan |
| 10 th of every month | Last day for EPA to receive total coliform monthly routine samples from the previous month | N/A |
| End of September | Lead and Copper samples for systems required to monitor AND who are on annual or triannual sampling schedules | Highest tier sites available in your distribution system. Contact ransom.chelsea@epa.gov with questions.* |
| End of August | Disinfection By-Product Samples for systems required to monitor AND who are required to sample in August | Sites approved on your DBP sample plan |

* Tier 1 sites are the highest tier sites. Sites must be selected and reported to EPA in accordance with the tiering criteria in 40 CFR §141.86(a).

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