

In compliance with federal COVID-19 relief funds, Comprehensive Housing Division implemented a hotel voucher effort designed to reduce the spread of COVID-19 by providing temporary shelter for Oneida enrolled individuals and families that are homeless, and/or have been displaced as a result of COVID-19 impacts and/or requiring quarantine or isolation.

The screening criteria utilize aligns with Tribal HUD VASH (Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing) Voucher Program. When concerns were brought to the department's attention, cases were evaluated, and the department collaborated with the hotels to address such concerns.

The Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) – Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act is also providing funds for Comprehensive Housing to provide COVID-19 relief with the following initiatives –

- COVID-19 Rental Assistance
- COVID-19 Mortgage Assistance
- COVID-19 Oneida Pantry Food Products
- COVID-19 Personal Protective Equipment
- COVID-19 Laundry Sanitation Equipment
- COVID-19 Utilities Assistance

As the pandemic continues, Comprehensive Housing will continue to utilize resources available to complete its mission to provide safe, sanitary and secure shelter for all tribal members.