

ONEIDA NATION PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Thursday, February 13, 2020, 12:15 pm

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CHILDREN'S BURIAL FUND

AMENDMENTS

The purpose of this law is to provide financial assistance of up to \$3,500 towards the funeral costs of children of a certain age who are not enrolled, but are eligible for enrollment in the Nation.

The Children's Burial Fund amendments will:

1. Update qualifications for financial assistance from the Fund—now providing that financial assistance can be provided for any deceased child 6 years of age or younger, who was not enrolled, but eligible for enrollment with the Nation;
2. Clarify that casket or coffin costs are payable if identified on an invoice;
3. Prohibit payments from the Fund to be used for travel and/or lodging for attending a funeral; and
4. Remove the specific limitations on the use of the Fund for food expenses and monument and /or headstone costs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS PERIOD CLOSSES THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020

During the Public Comment Period, anyone may submit written comments. Comments may be submitted to the Oneida Nation Secretary's Office or the Legislative Reference Office in person, by U.S. mail, interoffice mail, or e-mail.

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Providing public comment is an important way to make your voice heard in decision making. Public comments can strengthen a decision or provide different perspectives. The Legislative Operating Committee wants to hear from you!



READ THE PUBLIC MEETING MATERIALS: Before you provide comments familiarize yourself with the legislation. A public meeting packet is made for every public meeting and it includes 1) a notice with the date, time, location, 2) a draft of the proposed legislation, and 3) a plain language review of the legislation and its impact on the Oneida Nation.



PREPARE YOUR COMMENTS: When you are familiar with the legislation, start to prepare comments. The LOC is responsible for reviewing every comment received. To get your message across effectively, frame your comment clearly and concisely. Here is an example of how to create an effective comment:

Least Effective Comment	More Effective Comment	Most Effective Comment
The Children's Burial Fund is a good resource for families.	The amount of financial assistance provided by the Children's Burial Fund should be increased.	The \$3,500 of assistance allowed from the Children's Burial Fund provided for in section 129.6-1 should be increased to \$4,500.



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(ga ya day gen hasla ah sa go deeya dah da nay ladeek sa sue ha)

It is helpful for them to bury them the children

CHILDREN'S BURIAL FUND POLICY AMENDMENTS

LEGISLATIVE ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

REQUESTER: Oneida Trust Enrollment Committee	SPONSOR: Kirby Metoxen	DRAFTER: Clorissa N. Santiago	ANALYST: Maureen Perkins
Intent of the Amendments	The proposed amendments to the Children's Burial Fund Policy (Law) intend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• remove the limitations for certain uses of the Children's Burial Fund (Fund) which adds flexibility to the Law;• open the Fund to all children ages zero to six (0-6) who are not enrolled but eligible for enrollment in the Nation by removing restrictions related to children six (6) years of age at time of death;• add casket or coffin to the list of eligible funeral related expenses as a specific expense where it is implied under the current Law. The amendments also add casket or coffin company to the list of approved funeral related services and products eligible for use of the Fund;• clarify that funds are payable by invoice;• prohibit the use of funds for travel and/or lodging to attend a funeral;• update the Law in accordance with formatting requirements contained in the Legislative Procedures Act [1 O.C. 109];• update the Law for clarity to include minor drafting revisions; and• update the title of the Law to the Children's Burial Fund.		
Purpose	It is the purpose of this Law to provide financial assistance towards the funeral costs of children of a certain age who are not enrolled, but are eligible for enrollment, in the Nation [1 O.C. 129.1-1].		
Affected Entities and Individuals	Oneida Trust Enrollment Committee (OTEC), Oneida Business Committee (OBC), Oneida Trust Enrollment Department, anyone who applies for funds for deceased children ages six (6) years or younger that are not enrolled but are eligible for enrollment in the Nation		
Related Legislation	Oneida Nation Constitution, Membership Ordinance, Legislative Procedures Act		
Enforcement	There are no enforcement measures in the current Law or proposed amendments.		
Due Process	There are no due process measures in the current Law or proposed amendments.		
Public Meeting	A public meeting has not yet been held.		
Fiscal Impact	A fiscal impact statement prepared in accordance with the Legislative Procedures Act has not yet been requested.		

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENT

A. Background.

The Law provides burial assistance for children ages zero to six (0-6) who, upon death, were eligible for enrollment in the Nation but not enrolled.

History.

- **Resolution BC-01-04-95-A.** The Burial Endowment Fund Policy was established by this resolution to provide a burial benefit for enrolled members of the Nation and their children aged zero to five (0-5) if the child would have been eligible for enrollment in the Nation at the time of death [*Burial Endowment Fund Policy 2-2*].
 - **Resolution BC-10-01-08-A.** The OBC and OTEC jointly adopted this resolution approving the concept of the Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus (OLIPP) to present to the General Tribal Council (GTC) for approval. OLIPP is life insurance that provides a benefit to the designated beneficiary of the enrolled member of the Nation upon death.
 - OLIPP does not help with burial and other funeral expenses for children that are eligible for enrollment in the Nation but not enrolled.
 - **Resolution GTC-01-17-09-B.** The GTC approved OLIPP for implementation in fiscal year 2010 and directed that the Burial Endowment Fund Policy be repealed.
 - **Resolution BC-09-23-09-E.** This Burial Endowment Fund Policy was repealed by this resolution.
 - **Resolution BC-09-23-09-F.** The Children’s Burial Fund Policy (Policy) was adopted on an emergency basis by this resolution to be effective on the date of implementation of the OLIPP. The Policy included provisions recommended by OTEC to maintain a burial benefit for children ages three and under (0-3) who are not enrolled but eligible for enrollment in the Nation at the time of death.
 - **Resolution BC-02-10-10-B.** The Children’s Burial Fund Policy was permanently adopted by this resolution to provide financial assistance towards funeral related expenses for children ages zero to five (0-5) that were eligible for enrollment in the Nation but not enrolled at the time of death. Additionally; children who were six (6) years of age at the time of death and approved for enrollment by OTEC, but not approved for enrollment by the OBC, were also covered under this Policy.
- B. ***Expected Benefits.*** The amendments create flexibility by removing restrictions and funding caps for certain covered expenses. Additionally; the amendments open the Fund to all deceased children up to six years of age who are not enrolled in the Nation at the time of death but eligible for enrollment.

SECTION 3. CONSULTATION AND OUTREACH

- A. ***Participation.*** The Oneida Trust Enrollment Committee (OTEC) submitted a request to the LOC to consider amending the Law. The Oneida Trust Enrollment Department staff participated in the development of the amendments to this Law.
- B. ***Data.*** The Oneida Trust Enrollment Department indicated that the fund has been used for five (5) eligible children since 2015 [*Email Communication 12/16/19*].
- ***Impact.*** If all five requests of the Fund were for the maximum amount available of \$3,500; the total cost to the Nation since 2015 would be \$17,500.
- C. ***Other Tribal Laws.*** The following tribal laws and additional resources were reviewed in the development of this legislative analysis:
- Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Burial Assistance Guidelines
 - Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Funeral Assistance Program
 - Absentee Shawnee Tribe Burial Assistance Program
 - Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Burial Assistance Policy

SECTION 4. PROCESS

- A. The amendments have thus far followed the legislative process required in the Legislative Procedures Act.
- B. OTEC acted by majority vote during a regularly scheduled meeting on July 9, 2019, to submit a request to the LOC to consider amending the Children’s Burial Fund Policy.
- C. The Children’s Burial Fund Policy was added to the active files list on August 7, 2019, with Kirby Metoxen as the sponsor.

- D. The following work meetings were held by Legislative Reference Office staff during the development of the amendments to the Law and this legislative analysis:
- December 2, 2019, a work meeting was held with Oneida Trust Enrollment Department Staff.
 - December 4, 2019, a work meeting was held with the Legislative Operating Committee.

SECTION 5. CONTENTS OF THE LEGISLATION

This section reviews the content of the legislation and describes proposed amendments.

A. ***Adoption, Amendment, Repeal [129.2].*** This section was updated to meet the formatting requirements established by the Legislative Procedures Act [1 O.C. 109.11-1(b)].

B. ***Qualifications for Financial Assistance [129.4].*** This section details qualification criteria to determine who is eligible for financial assistance from the Fund. The following qualification was amended to clarify eligibility requirements:

- The Fund will now be available to all children ages zero to six (0-6) years of age who are not enrolled but are eligible for enrollment in the Nation at the time of death.
 - A requirement that is specific to deceased children who were six (6) years of age at the time of death and had their enrollment approved by the Oneida Trust Enrollment Committee, but not approved by the Oneida Business Committee, was deleted from the Law [1 O.C. 129.4-2 of Current Law].
 - ***Impact.*** The goal of removing this provision is to simplify the process for the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department. Enrollment approval by OTEC does not affect whether the child was eligible for enrollment in the Nation which is the criteria for eligibility for the remainder of children covered under this Law [Work Meeting Notes December 2, 2019].

C. ***Requesting Financial Assistance [129.5].*** This section details requirements related to requests for financial assistance from the Fund. The deadline for submitting requests for financial assistance from the Fund remains at three hundred and sixty-five (365) days from the date of death. The required documentation that must accompany a request for financial assistance has not changed and includes original invoices, birth certificate, death certificate or fetal death report, and voluntary paternity and/or maternity statement, if applicable. The Oneida Trust Enrollment Department is responsible for processing all paperwork for the payment of approved invoices received for payment directly to the funeral home, monument company, casket or coffin company, cemetery, crematorium, churches, and/or catering or food vendors. The following have been amended in this section of the Law:

- Payments from the Fund are made by invoice [1 O.C. 129.6-2].
 - ***Impact.*** Language was removed from the Law regarding including payments to vendors on the funeral home invoice [1 O.C. 129.5 of Current Law]. Removing this language does not change the practice of including payments to other vendors on the funeral home invoice which is still an option.
- The LOC added a casket or coffin to the list of qualified funeral related expenses and casket or coffin company to the list of approved funeral related providers of services and products eligible for use of the Fund.
 - i. ***Impact.*** This change opens the use of the Fund, so Fund recipients can purchase a casket or coffin from different sources. Previously; although not specifically mentioned in the law, a coffin or casket was an eligible expense under the procedures section related to payment to the funeral home [1 O.C. 129.5-4 of Current Law].
- Provisions detailing the approved funeral related expenses were moved to the Use of Funds section.

D. ***Use of Funds [129.6].*** This section was reorganized and focuses on current and new acceptable funeral related expenses covered by the Fund, as well as prohibited uses of the Fund. The amount of funds available has not changed and shall not exceed three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) for funeral related expenses. Funds are payable by invoice and funds are prohibited from being paid to individuals. Any expenses over three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) continue to be the responsibility of the family or responsible party. The following amendments to the Law appear in this section:

- The Law was amended to state that approved expenses are payable by invoice and language was removed related to adding expenses to the funeral home invoice.
 - i. **Impact.** This amendment simplifies the language which allows for payment by invoice which may include services added to the funeral home invoice such as payment to Oneida Hymn Singers or food vendors.
- The list of approved funeral related expenses was amended to include casket or coffin costs.
 - i. **Impact.** Although not explicitly stated as an approved expense; payment for casket or coffin costs was implied under the current Law under the procedures section related to payment to the funeral home [*1 O.C. 129.5-4 of Current Law*].
- Specific limitations related to food expenses and monument and/or headstone costs were removed [*1 O.C. 129.5-4 of Current Law*].
- An amendment was added to prohibit reimbursement of travel and/or lodging expenses for attending a funeral.

SECTION 6. RELATED LEGISLATION

A. Laws of the Nation Related to this Legislation.

- **Oneida Nation Constitution.** The laws of the Nation are adopted under the authority of the Constitution of the Oneida Nation [*1 O.C. 129.2-5*]. The Oneida Nation Constitution requires at least one-fourth degree Oneida blood to be eligible for membership in the Nation [*Oneida Nation Constitution, Article II(c)*]. This requirement is further developed through the Membership Ordinance.
- **Membership Ordinance** [*1 O.C. 124*]. The Membership Ordinance was drafted in accordance with Article II, Section 2 of the Oneida Nation Constitution and provides the implementation of the enrollment procedures and further qualifications for membership with the Oneida Nation. The Oneida Trust Enrollment Department will use this law to determine if enrollment eligibility in the Nation has been satisfied in accordance with section 129.4(c) of this Law.
- **Legislative Procedures Act** [*1 O.C. 109*]. This law governs the required format for all laws of the Nation. The format of the amended Law was updated to meet requirements in this law.

B. There are no conflicts between the amendments and the Oneida Code of Laws.

SECTION 7. ENFORCEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- A. The current and amended Laws do not contain any due process or enforcement provisions.
- B. Existing staff of the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department are responsible for the implementation and operation of the Law.

SECTION 8. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

A. **Fiscal Impact.** Please refer to the fiscal impact statement for any fiscal impacts.

- a. Under the Legislative Procedures Act, a fiscal impact statement is required for all legislation except emergency legislation.
 - i. A fiscal impact statement shall be submitted by agencies as directed by the Legislative Operating Committee [*1 O.C. 109.6-1*].
 - ii. Fiscal Impact statements may be prepared by any agency who may receive funding if the legislation is enacted, any agency who may administer a program if the legislation is enacted, any agency who may have financial information concerning the subject matter of the legislation, or by the Finance Office, upon request of the Legislative Operating Committee [*1 O.C. 109.6-1(a) and (b)*].
 - iii. The fiscal impact statement is important in the decision-making process related to legislation developed by the Legislative Operating Committee. When a fiscal impact statement is requested from the Finance Department; the Chief Financial Officer will submit a Fiscal Impact Statement to the LOC within ten (10) days of final approval of the draft legislation [*Resolution BC-09-25-19*].

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129.1. Purpose and Policy

129.1-1. *Purpose.* It is the purpose of this ~~policy~~law to provide financial assistance towards the funeral costs of children of a certain age who are not enrolled, but are eligible for enrollment, in the ~~Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin~~Nation.

129.1-2. *Policy.* ~~The Oneida Tribe~~It is ~~committed~~the policy of the Nation to ~~providing~~provide services to the membership from birth to death. As a part of this commitment, we wish to assure a dignified approach to the final needs of our ~~Tribal~~members and their families.

~~129.1-3. This fund is established to provide an individual allotment, not to exceed \$3,500 per qualified individual, to defray the cost of funeral expenses.~~

129.2. Adoption, Amendment, ~~Conflicts~~ Repeal

129.2-1. This ~~policy~~law was adopted by the Oneida Business Committee ~~by~~ resolution BC-02-10-10-B; ~~and amended by BC- - - -~~.

129.2-2. This ~~policy~~law may be amended ~~or repealed by the Oneida Business Committee and/or General Tribal Council~~ pursuant to the procedures set out in ~~Tribal law~~the ~~Legislative~~ Procedures Act.

129.2-3. Should a provision of this ~~policy~~law or the application thereof to any person or circumstances be held as invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions of this ~~policy~~law which are considered to have legal force without the invalid portions.

129.2-4. In the event of a conflict between a provision of this ~~policy~~law and a provision of another law, ~~ordinance, policy, regulation, rule, resolution, or motion~~, the provisions of this ~~policy~~law shall control. ~~Provided that, nothing in this policy is intended to repeal or modify any existing law, ordinance, policy, regulation, rule, resolution or motion.~~

129.2-5. This ~~policy~~law is adopted under authority of the Constitution of the Oneida ~~Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin~~Nation.

129.3. Definitions

129.3-1. This section shall govern the definitions of words and phrases used within this ~~policy~~law. All words not defined herein shall be used in their ordinary and everyday sense.

(a) "Fetal death report" means the form prescribed and supplied by a State used to report non-abortion related fetal deaths, which may also be referred to as stillbirths.

~~(b)~~(b) "Nation" means the Oneida Nation.

(c) "Stillbirth" means a fetus born dead, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, with death indicated by the fact that after expulsion or extraction from the woman, the fetus does not breathe or show any other evidence of life such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord or definite movement of the voluntary muscles.

(ed) “Voluntary paternity/and/or maternity statement” means the document created by the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department which requires the notarized signature(s) of Oneida parent(s) acknowledging paternity and/or maternity of a fetus, which is used to determine eligibility for enrollment.

129.4. Qualifications for Financial Assistance

129.4-1. ~~Except as provided in 129.4-2, In order~~ to be eligible for financial assistance from the Children’s Burial Fund the deceased child shall be ~~five (5);~~

(a) six (6) years of age or younger;

(b) not enrolled, but eligible for enrollment, with the Nation; and

~~129.4-2. In the event the deceased is six (6) years of age, not enrolled, but eligible for enrollment, the deceased shall be eligible for assistance if the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee had approved the enrollment of the deceased prior to his or her death.~~

(c) eligible for enrollment with the Nation.

129.5. Procedures Requesting Financial Assistance

129.5-1. ~~The Oneida Trust Enrollment Department is designated to~~ shall process all requests for financial assistance from the Children’s Burial Fund.

129.5-2. Requests for ~~payment~~ financial assistance from the Children’s Burial Fund shall be made to the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department within three hundred and sixty-five (365) days from the date of death.

129.5-3. ~~Original invoices~~ Upon making a request for financial assistance from the Children’s Burial Fund the following documentation shall be provided to the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department ~~for payment.:~~

(a) all original invoices;

(b) birth certificate, death certificate, or fetal death report; and

(c) voluntary paternity and/or maternity statement in situations where paternity and/or maternity needs to be determined.

129.5-4. Upon receipt and verification of invoices and ~~the other~~ relevant ~~document(s) as required under 129.5-5~~ documentation, the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department shall be responsible for processing the appropriate paper work for the payment to be made to the funeral home, monument company, casket or coffin company, cemetery, crematorium, churches, and/or catering/ or food vendors.

~~129.5-5. A birth certificate, death certificate, or fetal death report shall be submitted to the Enrollment Department prior to payment. A voluntary paternity/maternity statement shall also be submitted to the Enrollment Department prior to payment where paternity and/or maternity needs to be determined.~~

~~129.5-6. Food expenses are payable through a food voucher, added to the funeral home invoice, or paid directly to the caterer/food vendor/restaurant, amount not to exceed \$200.00, which is included under the \$3,500.00.~~

~~129.5-7. Monument/headstone costs are payable directly to the vendor or may be added to the funeral home invoice, amount not to exceed \$1,000.00, which is included under the \$3,500.00.~~

~~129.5-8. Cemetery costs are payable directly to the vendor or may be added to the funeral home invoice, amount to be included under the \$3,500.00.~~

~~129.5-9. Church costs are payable directly to the vendor or may be added to the funeral home invoice, amount to be included under the \$3,500.00.~~

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129.6. Use of Funds

129.6-1. Financial assistance from the Children's Burial Fund for funeral costs of a deceased child shall not exceed three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500).

129.6-2. The following funeral related expenses are payable if identified on an invoice:

(a) monument and/or headstone costs;

(b) casket or coffin costs;

(c) cemetery costs;

(d) church costs; and/or

(e) food costs.

129.6-3. Under no circumstances ~~will~~shall there be any payments from the Children's Burial Fund for reimbursements ~~for~~of:

(a) funeral costs to individuals~~;~~ and/or

(b) travel and/or lodging for attending a funeral.

129.5-116-4. Any unexpended monies after payment(s) have been made ~~will~~shall remain in the ~~fund~~Children's Burial Fund for other burials.

~~129.5-12. Under no circumstances will funding exceed \$3,500.00.~~

~~129.5-13. Total~~129.6-5. Any expenses over \$3,500.00 ~~or expenses over the designated amounts payable are~~three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) shall be the responsibility of the family or responsible party.

End.

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129.1. Purpose and Policy

129.1-1. *Purpose.* It is the purpose of this law to provide financial assistance towards the funeral costs of children of a certain age who are not enrolled, but are eligible for enrollment, in the Nation.

129.1-2. *Policy.* It is the policy of the Nation to provide services to the membership from birth to death. As a part of this commitment, we wish to assure a dignified approach to the final needs of our members and their families.

129.2. Adoption, Amendment, Repeal

129.2-1. This law was adopted by the Oneida Business Committee by resolution BC-02-10-10-B and amended by BC-__-__-__-__.

129.2-2. This law may be amended or repealed by the Oneida Business Committee and/or General Tribal Council pursuant to the procedures set out in the Legislatives Procedures Act.

129.2-3. Should a provision of this law or the application thereof to any person or circumstances be held as invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions of this law which are considered to have legal force without the invalid portions.

129.2-4. In the event of a conflict between a provision of this law and a provision of another law, the provisions of this law shall control.

129.2-5. This law is adopted under authority of the Constitution of the Oneida Nation.

129.3. Definitions

129.3-1. This section shall govern the definitions of words and phrases used within this law. All words not defined herein shall be used in their ordinary and everyday sense.

(a) “Fetal death report” means the form prescribed and supplied by a State used to report non-abortion related fetal deaths, which may also be referred to as stillbirths.

(b) “Nation” means the Oneida Nation.

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(d) “Voluntary paternity and/or maternity statement” means the document created by the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department which requires the notarized signature(s) of Oneida parent(s) acknowledging paternity and/or maternity of a fetus, which is used to determine eligibility for enrollment.

129.4. Qualifications for Financial Assistance

129.4-1. In order to be eligible for financial assistance from the Children’s Burial Fund the deceased child shall be:

(a) six (6) years of age or younger;

- (b) not enrolled with the Nation; and
- (c) eligible for enrollment with the Nation.

129.5. Requesting Financial Assistance

129.5-1. The Oneida Trust Enrollment Department shall process all requests for financial assistance from the Children's Burial Fund.

129.5-2. Requests for financial assistance from the Children's Burial Fund shall be made to the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department within three hundred and sixty-five (365) days from the date of death.

129.5-3. Upon making a request for financial assistance from the Children's Burial Fund the following documentation shall be provided to the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department:

- (a) all original invoices;
- (b) birth certificate, death certificate, or fetal death report; and
- (c) voluntary paternity and/or maternity statement in situations where paternity and/or maternity needs to be determined.

129.5-4. Upon receipt and verification of invoices and other relevant documentation, the Oneida Trust Enrollment Department shall be responsible for processing the appropriate paper work for the payment to be made to the funeral home, monument company, casket or coffin company, cemetery, crematorium, churches, and/or catering or food vendors.

129.6. Use of Funds

129.6-1. Financial assistance from the Children's Burial Fund for funeral costs of a deceased child shall not exceed three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500).

129.6-2. The following funeral related expenses are payable if identified on an invoice:

- (a) monument and/or headstone costs;
- (b) casket or coffin costs;
- (c) cemetery costs;
- (d) church costs; and/or
- (e) food costs.

129.6-3. Under no circumstances shall there be any payments from the Children's Burial Fund for reimbursements of:

- (a) funeral costs to individuals; and/or
- (b) travel and/or lodging for attending a funeral.

129.6-4. Any unexpended monies after payment(s) have been made shall remain in the Children's Burial Fund for other burials.

129.6-5. Any expenses over three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) shall be the responsibility of the family or responsible party.

End.

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