

# Oneida Nation

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## **BC Resolution # 07-13-22-O**

### **Obligation for Oneida Nation Student Relief Fund Utilizing Tribal Contribution Savings**

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation has received Fiscal Recovery Funds (*FRF*) through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (*ARPA*) funds to address matters arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has approved application of ARPA FRF through the revenue loss formula set forth in 31 CFR 35.6(d)(2) which applied these federal funds throughout the Nation's budget to governmental programs business units beginning with "42#####": and
- WHEREAS,** the savings from the application of these funds has resulted in tribal funds being placed in the line "Tribal Contribution Savings" in the Investment Report presented in the Treasurer's Report; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has determined that Tribal Contribution Savings funds should be used as set out in resolution # BC-06-09-21-B, as amended by resolution # BC-06-23-21-C which designates percentage allocations to eight categories (*percentages rounded*) –
- Direct Membership Assistance, 45% of funds;
  - Housing, 17% of funds;
  - Food and Agriculture, 12% of funds;
  - Education, 6% of funds;
  - Culture and Language, 10% of funds;
  - Revenue Generations, 2% of funds;
  - Government Roles and Responsibilities, 3% of funds;
  - Overall Priority – Land, Infrastructure, Sovereignty, 5% of funds; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee obligated ARPA FRF LR Funds (now referred to as "Tribal Contribution Savings") in the amount of four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to the Oneida Nation Student Relief Fund by BC Resolution #12-08-21-D; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation Student Relief Fund has provided an opportunity for Oneida Nation members to work toward their post-secondary education, professional training, and certification goals, regardless of their Oneida Higher Education Scholarship status; and

**WHEREAS,** the obligation of additional funds will provide an opportunity for more Oneida Nation members to improve their employment prospects during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS,** the Project Owner for the proposed project is requesting an additional two million dollars (\$2,000,000) obligated from the Tribal Contribution Savings, Education category; and

**WHEREAS,** this project will be concluded by December 31, 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has reviewed the proposed project; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Oneida Business Committee approves the obligation of funds for the Oneida Nation Student Relief Fund project, in the amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) from Tribal Contribution Savings, Education category, with Jacqueline Smith, Area Manager/Education & Training, continuing as Project Owner.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 6 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting\*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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Lisa Liggins, Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee

\*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."