

Who Qualifies?

To be eligible for assistance, the applicant must be Native American and meet the following criteria:

- **Complete Application:** Signed by all household members aged 18 and older.
- **Income Limits:** Total household income must be at or below 80% of the Snohomish County low-income limits for your household size.
- **Parenting Plan:** If minors are in the household, you must provide a copy of your court-ordered parenting plan. (If you do not have a court-ordered plan, a declaration form is available.)

Who Is Ineligible?

You will not qualify for the program if any of the following apply:

- Your household received assistance from this program within the last 3 years.
- Your household income is over the 80% limit.
- Any household member is on an Active Exclusion.
- There is a history of fraud or misrepresentation with Tulalip Tribes.
- Any household member has outstanding debts to TTHD. (Note: Applicants may become eligible by entering into a payment agreement and signing up for general welfare deductions to repay what is owed).

Securing a new place to live is an exciting step, but upfront move-in costs can sometimes stand in your way.

Tulalip Tribes Housing Department (TTHD) is here to help bridge that gap.



CONTACT US TO GET STARTED

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TULALIP TRIBES Rental Deposit Program



Through the Rental Deposit Program, qualified households can receive **up to \$5,000** in assistance toward eligible move-in expenses within Snohomish County.

Eligible vs. Ineligible Rental Units

Before you choose a home, make sure the property meets the program guidelines:

Eligible Units

Located within **Snohomish County**

Meets program **Occupancy Standards**

Meets **Housing Quality Standards** (working heat/water, safe electrical, overall habitable conditions)

Owned by a legal property owner who is **not related** to the applicant

Ineligible Units

Tribal-owned units (including Working Rentals and newly constructed tribal apartments)

College or school dormitories

Nursing homes, care homes, or facilities providing continual medical care

Lodging, boarding, and rooming units

HOW THE PROCESS WORKS:

Step-by-Step

1 Apply & Join the Waitlist

Submit your completed application to be placed on the waitlist. Applications are prioritized in the following order:

- Enrolled Tulalip Tribal Members who are Veterans
- Enrolled Tulalip Tribal Members aged 57 and older
- Enrolled Tulalip Tribal Members aged 18 and older
- Other Native American / Alaska Native applicants

2 Eligibility Review

Once your name is selected from the waitlist, TTHD staff will review your application to officially determine your eligibility.

3 Receive Your Letter of Intent

Eligible applicants will receive a Letter of Intent stating that up to \$5,000 may be available, subject to your lease. You will have 30 days to secure a lease. If you need more time, you can submit a written request for a one-time 30-day extension.

4 Lease Verification & Inspection

Once you find a place and submit your signed lease agreement, staff will verify the landlord's eligibility. An inspection must be completed to ensure the unit meets Housing Quality Standards.

5 Agreement & Direct Payment

The applicant, the landlord, and the TTHD will sign a Rental Deposit Agreement. Once approved, payment is sent directly to the landlord.

6 End of Tenancy (Moving Out)

When your lease ends, the landlord has 21 days to provide TTHD with an itemized list of any charges and return the remaining deposit to TTHD. If the landlord keeps any portion of the deposit for damages or fees, you will be required to enter into a payback agreement with TTHD to repay those charges.



PLEASE NOTE: *You must apply and be approved before you pay any move-in costs. Fees cannot be reimbursed once you already paid, and credits for previous expenses are not available.*