

May 3, 2013

Plans for Salazar per capita distribution being refined

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Tribal leadership continues to organize the logistics for distributing nearly 19,000 per capita checks to its members beginning on May 15 and 16. In order to minimize confusion among Tribal members, who can expect to receive approximately \$1,600 each, Tribal Chairman Kevin Keckler will be issuing regular press updates on the distribution process as plans are refined.

The necessary forms and instructions for the Salazar per capita distribution are available on the CRST website: [www.sioux.org](http://www.sioux.org) by clicking on the "Salazar Per Capita Distribution" link, or by contacting the Tribal Enrollment Office and requesting that the forms be mailed to them. Per capita payments can either be picked up in person or received via US Mail.

The Tribe has extended the hours of operation for the in-person distribution center on Wednesday and Thursday, May 15 and 16, 2013, at the C-EB High School Gymnasium in Eagle Butte. The distribution center will now be open between the hours of 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM Mountain time each day. If you are in line at 7 PM you will be served that day, but if you try to join the line after 7 PM you will be asked to return the next day.

Some more helpful notes if you are planning to receive your check in person on May 15-16:

- Tribal officials are planning for large crowds on both days, so do expect to experience congested parking and some wait time before receiving your check.
- Your application does not need to be notarized but you will need to have a valid, government-issued ID along with other required documentation based on your unique circumstances
- If you are picking up a check for a minor child (under 18) you do not need to bring the child with you.
- Members over the age of 18 are responsible for receiving their own check. If you are over 18 and will not be picking up your check in person, you can receive it via US Mail.
- Checks will not be distributed to anyone who is inebriated.
- The pow-wow grounds will be open to anyone who needs a place to camp during their stay in Eagle Butte.

Tribal elders over 60 years of age will be given special access at the Gymnasium if they choose to pick up their check in person on May 15-16. Two tables will serve only elders 60 and over, and elders will also have a specially designated processing line with adequate seating. The monthly Elderly Checks for on-reservation members 60 years and older will be distributed along with the per capita check on May 15-16, so on-reservation elders need only go to the gymnasium and do not need to go to the Tribal Office as they usually do.

On May 15-16, there will be 13 separate processing tables located in the gymnasium to distribute the members' per capita checks. Eight of the tables will be utilized to process members' applications based on alphabetical organization. Two tables will be specially designated to

handle only elders' applications, and three tables will address members who need special assistance with their applications, such as those with child custody issues or questions. There will be ushers and other staff available to assist members in locating their correct table assignment and answer questions.

After the in-person distribution on May 15-16 is complete, Tribal staff will begin sending the checks to members who have requested their checks via US Mail. The mailed requests will be processed on a first-in, first-out basis. The Enrollment Office is currently accepting mail requests but will not send out any checks until May 17. If you are mailing in your application, you will need to have your Form 1 notarized. Be sure to include copies of any required documentation. You will not receive your documents back, so please do not send originals. Also, please include a phone number where you can be reached in case Tribal staff have any questions about your application.

Members who are currently serving in the military and incarcerated members will have their requests processed in a similar fashion as any other member over the age of 18. They can submit a request to have their check mailed, or they can request that the funds be held by the Tribe. The Tribe will hold the unclaimed per capita payments indefinitely in a specially designated "Salazar Per Capita" fund.

Members who have protective payee arrangements will have their checks deposited into their protective payee account. Additionally, children who are in state or BIA social services care will have their checks held by the Tribe until custody issues can be resolved.

If any Tribal members have obtained custody orders for their children, and they want their application to be processed as efficiently as possible, they are urged to obtain a *certified* copy of the most recent order from the original issuing Court (tribal or state court). In order to ensure that a minor child's per capita payment is distributed in the best interest of the child, Tribal workers will be confirming with Court personnel that any custody order presented is in fact the most recent order pertaining to the legal custody of a child. If there is any question as to who is legally authorized to receive a child's check, the Tribe will hold the check until the issue is resolved.

The Tribe will continue to provide regular periodic updates on the pending per capita payment. If there are any questions concerning the distribution, please call the Tribal Chairman's office at (605) 964-4155. Thank you.

**CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE**  
**AFFIDAVIT OF SOLE PARENT AS TO CUSTODY OF MINOR CHILD(REN)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am the sole parent of the minor child(ren) named below:

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Enrollment # \_\_\_\_\_
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(attach additional sheets if necessary)

There is no existing court order regarding custody of my child(ren). I am the only person who is legally authorized to apply for my child(ren)'s per capita payment.

Check one:

- My child(ren) are currently residing with me. (OR)
- I agree that another of the child(ren)'s family member may apply for and receive the per capita payment for each child as listed below:

Child: _____	Person to Receive Per Capita Payment _____
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By signing below I verify that the above information is correct, and I authorize the distribution of per capita payments for my child(ren) as listed above. By claiming or directing the payment of the "Salazar" per capita distribution for any of my above-listed minor children, I hereby release the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe from any liability whatsoever that may arise related to the distribution of these funds.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mother

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**// DO NOT FAX THIS FORM //**  
If requesting payment via US Mail, please return form to:  
**Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe**  
**Tribal Enrollment Office, Attn: Charlene Anderson,**  
**PO Box 590, Eagle Butte, SD 57625**