

HUD provides \$100 million in CARES Act money to tribes

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The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary Ben Carson announced Monday, Aug. 31, that HUD has awarded \$100 million to tribes across the nation as part of HUD's Indian Community Development Block Grant Imminent Threat program.

This funding helps address problems that pose an imminent threat to public health or safety of Tribal residents and will be used to help Tribes prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19.

According to HUD, the Elk Valley Rancheria received \$216,000 and the Tolowa Dee-Ni' Nation received \$898,563.

For a complete list of the amounts Tribes received across the U.S., go to www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PA/documents/100MILIBG.pdf.

"The Trump Administration is committed to helping families throughout Indian Country to access essential resources during the coronavirus outbreak," said Carson.

"This \$100 million investment will go a long way to help Native Americans persevere during this unprecedented time," said R. Hunter Kurtz, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

These funds, provided through the CARES Act, support several projects on Tribal lands across the United States, such as:

The construction of new rental housing to address overcrowding and homelessness;

The construction of water infrastructure, including water wells and water lines;

The purchase and renovation of an old clinic facility to facilitate access to testing, diagnosis, and treatment of Tribal members; and
The provision of emergency food supplies to geographically isolated communities.