

I. Purpose of the Program.

The purpose of this fund is to assist KBIC Tribal Member Parents or Guardians raising children in their homes and Tribal Member children to offer financial assistance with providing for school clothing, activity fees, organized extracurricular activities, athletic fees, athletic equipment, diapers and wipes, after-school programs, summer camps, school related activities, school supplies and related needs to allow them to live full and productive lives to the best of their ability.

II. The Need for the Program.

The Community Tribal Council hereby finds and determines that:

- A. The program is needed to assist Tribal Member Parents or Guardians raising children in their homes and Tribal Member children, to ensure that they receive need-based financial assistance to preserve their quality of life and to promote the general welfare and best interests of the Community.
- B. It is consistent with the culture and tradition of the Community to provide for and protect the interests of Tribal Members whenever possible. The Youth Activity Program is established to provide financial assistance for our Youth Members and to meet their needs to live an active lifestyle and provide aid to their Parents or Guardians.

III. Program Eligibility Requirements.

To be eligible you must reside in Baraga County or the Marquette Trust Property. A separate Activity Fund Request form must be completed for each eligible child. Each Fiscal Year, a per-child amount is approved by the Tribal Council. A one-time payment for each eligible child **will begin being paid the first week in October of each year and payments will be paid bi-weekly as documentation is provided.**

- 1) The Parent or Guardian of the child or the child must be an enrolled KBIC member.
- 2) The child must be the age 0-17 or in high school. Upon graduating from high school, the child is no longer eligible for the program.
 - a) The Parent or Guardian may be required to provide documentation that they have physical custody for the child. If someone else is submitting a form for a grandchild or other relative, the Parent or Guardian who has custody of the child must sign the form in agreement.
 - b) Court documents or birth certificates are examples of acceptable documentation. This information must be submitted each fiscal year.
 - c) All applicants will submit a Youth Activity Fund Request Form.

IV. Program Administration.

The Youth Director of the Community shall act as the Benefits Coordinator of the program.

V. Modification and Termination.

The Tribal Council shall retain the authority to modify the terms and conditions governing the Program, or to terminate, without prior notice to any individual receiving payments from the program based on funding availability.

Approved by Tribal Council 12/07/2022