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**ARPA Hardship Assistance application will be available on January 10<sup>th</sup> for new applicants, previous recipients do not have to re-apply**

## ARPA Hardship Application Process

Application Period: January 10, 2022 - December 30, 2022

### Who can apply for ARPA Hardship?

The Navajo Nation Office of the Controller will begin accepting applications for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Hardship Assistance Program on **Monday, Jan. 10, 2022** for enrolled members of the Navajo Nation who did not previously receive the CARES Act Hardship Assistance. If an individual previously received CARES Act Hardship Assistance, you do not have to re-apply – you are automatically eligible to receive the ARPA Hardship Assistance.

The funding will provide \$2,000 in hardship assistance for adults, who are age 18 years and older on or before Jan. 4, 2022, and \$600 for minors, who are enrolled members of the Navajo Nation.

### How do I apply?

The application form will be available on the Office of the Controller website at <https://www.nnooc.org> and on the ARPA website at [www.navajonationarpa.org](http://www.navajonationarpa.org). New applicants **must** complete/sign the Hardship Program application and submit **no later than December 30, 2022** in one of the following ways:

<b>Submit in-person:</b> Office of the Controller Administration Building 1 Window Rock, AZ  Monday - Friday (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.)	<b>Submit by Mail:</b> Navajo Nation Office of the Controller RE: ARPA Hardship Assistance P.O. BOX 3150 Window Rock, AZ 86515 <b>Must be postmarked no later than December 30, 2022</b>	<b>Submit by Email:</b> <a href="mailto:ARPAHardship@nnooc.org">ARPAHardship@nnooc.org</a> <b>no later than December 30, 2022</b>
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If you have further questions, please contact the Office of the Controller by e-mail at [ARPAHardship@nnooc.org](mailto:ARPAHardship@nnooc.org) or call (928) 871-6106, (928) 871-6315, (928) 223-3525, (928) 224-8148, (928) 224-8187, (928) 224-8212, (928) 371-9226, (928) 223-3709, or (928) 223-3712.

Please state your name clearly and provide a call back phone number.

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On Jan. 4, Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez and Vice President Myron Lizer signed Resolution CD-62-21, approving \$557 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds for Hardship Assistance to provide direct financial relief for the Navajo people, to help mitigate the devastating effects of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The funding will provide \$2,000 in hardship assistance for adults, who are age 18 years and older on or before Jan. 4, 2022, and \$600 for minors, who are enrolled members of the Navajo Nation.

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Navajo Nation Office of the Controller

RE: ARPA Hardship Assistance

P.O. Box 3150

Window Rock, Arizona 86515

**\*\*\*Must be postmarked no later than December 30, 2022**

**Submit in-person:**

Delivered in-person to the Office of the Controller, located at Administration Building 1, Window Rock, Arizona, 86515 (Monday thru Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.)

**Submit by e-mail to:**

[ARPAHardship@nnooc.org](mailto:ARPAHardship@nnooc.org) **no later than December 30, 2022**

The Office of the Controller and the Navajo Nation Vital Records Office will also have staff members available in various communities on the Navajo Nation and certain urban areas/cities to provide assistance for new applicants and for issues related to Certificates of Indian Blood (CIB). A schedule will be announced soon.

A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) sheet is available online at: <https://www.opvp.navajo-nsn.gov/News-Media/Latest-News> to provide answers regarding updates to mailing addresses, contact information to obtain a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB), and more. Please visit the site and read carefully. The Office of the President and Vice President and the Office of the Controller will also host an online town hall on Monday, Jan. 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. (MST) to provide more information about the ARPA Hardship Assistance.

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