

# Resolution 2025-11-006 Approve 2026 Tenant Based Rental Assistance [TBRA] Client Rental Contribution

Approved November 5th, 2025

**WHEREAS** the Samish Indian Nation was federally re-acknowledged by the Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior of the United States of America on April 6, 1996;

WHEREAS the Samish Tribal Council is empowered to act on behalf of the Samish Indian Nation pursuant to Article VI, Section 2, of the Samish Tribal Constitution, approved November 14, 2003, by Resolution of the Samish Tribal Council and adopted and ratified by Vote of the Samish General Council on March 2, 2004, and recognized by the Assistant Secretary

for Indian Affairs, David W. Anderson on April 20, 2004;

WHEREAS the health, safety, welfare and education of the citizens and family members of the Samish Indian Nation is the responsibility of the Tribal Council of the Samish Indian

Nation;

WHEREAS the Samish Tribal Council reviewed 13.206 - Rental Assistance - B- Grant Amount and

has accepted the Housing Departments recommendation regarding the percentage

amount a program participant will pay toward their rent in 2026;

# THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Samish Tribal Council:

- Approving the Samish Indian Nation's Housing Department to allow Samish Elders, as defined by HUD as 62 years of age or older and or disabled and unable to work, and who are enrolled in the Tenant Based Rental Assistance [TBRA] program, to pay 15% of their adjusted gross income in 2026.
- 2. Approving the Samish Indian Nation's Housing Department to allow all other Samish Citizens in the Tenant Based Rental Assistance [TBRA] program to pay 30% of their adjusted gross income toward their portion of rent in 2026.
- 3. Approving the Samish Indian Nation's Housing Department to allow Tribal Citizens from other Federally Recognized Tribes participating in the Tenant Based Rental Assistance [TBRA] program to pay 30% of their adjusted gross income in 2026.

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#### SAMISH TRIBAL COUNCIL

By:

Thomas D. Wooten

**Tribal Council Chairman** 

## CERTIFICATION

The above resolution was duly adopted by the Samish Tribal Council on the 5th day of November, 2025, at which time a quorum was present, by a vote of: 7 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAIN.

Certified

by:

Nicole M. Smith

**Tribal Council Secretary** 



### Date 10/24/2025

To: Tribal Council

From: Justin Krupa, Housing Director
Re: Client Contributions for FY2026

In preparation to best support the quickly changing federal financial support in programs such as Medicaid, Medicare, SNAP, TANF, etc, the following recommendation is being made.

My recommendation for 2026 is as follows:

Elders and Persons with a permanent disability and are unable to work, pay 15% of their Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) toward rent. This has been the percentage paid by this demographic since 2024 and has afforded this demographic of people served to better be in position to meet their monthly needs.

With the Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program having a new focus limited to Elders and persons with a permanent disability and unable to work, my recommendation is not to increase the percentage of income they must provide each month. This recommendation also takes into account the need to have a percentage threshold that will allow for services to continue effectively in 2026.

Samish Indian Nation uses a client budget system, developed internally, which highlights subsidy and non-subsidy based monthly budgets. This tool mirrors what the % of subsidy from Samish provides for each month while also allowing the participant to see the whole picture while on their journey toward post program independence.

Additionally, all non-Samish participants will continue to pay the maximum allowable amount by HUD of 30% of their AGI. This rate remains unchanged from 2025.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

Justin Krupa Housing Director - Samish Indian Nation

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