

## The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan 7070 East Broadway, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 Phone: 989-775-4040 \* 1-800-225-8172

## GUIDELINES FOR THE LOAN PROGRAM

- 1. Loans are available to tribal members of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, eighteen years of age and over who are actively receiving per capita payments.
- 2. Tribal member loans are not available to any Tribal member during his or her incarceration, jail or imprisonment as a result of a plea, plea bargain, or conviction in any court of competent jurisdiction. The undersigned Applicant or P.O.A. hereby states and represents that the applicant Tribal member is not so incarcerated, jailed or imprisoned. The undersigned Applicant or P.O.A. understands and agrees that a finding by the Triba that the Tribal member Applicant was incarcerated, jailed or imprisoned when this application was submitted may result in legal action including but not limited to action for immediate return of entire loan amount.
- 3. Tribal member loans are not available to any Tribal member while such Tribal member is the subject of a disenrollment proceeding at the Office of Administrative Hearings, Tribal Community Court or Tribal Appellate Court. Tribal members who are the subject of a review by the Enrollment Department for possible disenrollment proceedings, including those members whose membership is being reviewed for possible referral and consolidation with reopened OAH disenrollment cases, do not qualify for a loan. Such members may qualify, contingent on meeting all other loan requirements, at the conclusion of the Enrollment Department's review unless they are the subject of a disenrollment proceeding.
- 4. The maximum loan amount is \$15,000.00. Loan requests will not be approved if applicant has an outstanding loan balance within the tribe.
- 5. The amount of a loan may be limited by the ability of the member to repay the loan out of his/her per capita check.
- 6. Other garnishments outstanding on a member's per capita check will be considered in determining the amount of a loan, if any, a member is eligible to receive.
- 7. If loan is paid in full with a check, a seven (7) day waiting period will apply before another loan can be obtained.
- 8. The applicant must agree to pay the loan in full via bi- weekly deductions from per capita payments and such amounts must be available from the members per capita after any other obligations to the Per Capita Department. The minimum bi-weekly payment is listed below. **See table below.**
- 9. All loans will be subject to an application fee of 5% to 7% per table below.

	% OF	INTEREST AMOUNT FOR MAX LOAN	MINIMUM	Repayment amount (if max loan	# of	
LOAN AMOUNT	INTEREST	AMOUNT	PAYMENT	amount)	Payments	Years
\$1.00 - \$2,500	5.00%	\$125.00	\$200.00	\$ 2,625.00	13.13	0.50
\$2,501 - \$5,000	5.50%	\$275.00	\$200.00	\$ 5,275.00	26.38	1.01
\$5,001 - \$7,500	6.00%	\$450.00	\$200.00	\$ 7,950.00	39.75	1.53
\$7,501 - \$10,000	7.00%	\$700.00	\$200.00	\$ 10,700.00	53.50	2.06
\$10,001 - \$15,000	7.00%	\$1,050.00	\$300.00	\$ 16,050.00	53.50	2.06

- 10. The loan application will be verified for:
  - a. Must meet guidelines above.
  - b. Enrolled member is currently receiving per capita payments in an amount sufficient to satisfy the obligation for loan repayment.
  - c. Annual report has been filed.
  - d. Two pieces of picture I.D. must be submitted with application. One must be a Tribal I.D. Card.
  - e. All loan applications received by U.S. MAIL must be NOTARIZED (Include copy of I.D's)
  - f. FAXED LOAN APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- 11. Per Capita deductions WILL NOT stop until loan is paid in full.
- 12. If you have a Power of Attorney (P.O.A) he/she must sign your Loan Application under your name and attach a copy of the P.O.A papers along with a copy of their picture ID.

## ALL APPROVED LOANS WILL TAKE 5 TO 10 DAYS TO BE PROCESSED

By May 15<sup>th</sup> of every year, outstanding loans will be reviewed against the list of annual reports filed. The Per Capita Department will be notified of any member with an outstanding loan, who has not filed the Annual Report, to withhold the remaining balance due from the June payment. Any unpaid balance will be collected from the member when per capita payments are reinstated following proper filing of the annual report.

\*\*\*\*\* In the event of a member's death, the Per Capita Department will verify whether the member had an outstanding loan balance. If the member had a balance owed on a tribal loan, any and all funds still owed to the member's estate from Per Capita will be applied to the loan balance; Life Insurance proceeds will also be applied to the balance owed on the tribal loan. If any remaining funds owed to the member's estate from Per Capita, beyond the repayment of a tribal loan, will be in the form of a check (no direct deposits) and held in the Per Capita Department until a legal document appointing a personal representative or executor for the tribal member's estate is received.

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