

## FUND DISTRIBUTION PROCESS

**Program:** Trust Services (TPA)

**Type of Funding:** Recurring (Base)/Recurring (Non Base)

**Funding Authority/Responsibility:** 25 U.S.C. 13 (The Snyder Act of November 2, 1921), 42 Stat. 208, Pub.L. 67-85; 90 Stat. 2233, Pub.L. 94-482; 25 U.S.C. 5108 et seq. (The Indian Reorganization Act of 1934), 48 Stat. 984, Pub.L. 73-383; Pub.L. 103-263; 25 U.S.C. 450 (The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act), 88 Stat. 2203, Pub.L. 93-638; Pub.L. 100-472; 102 Stat. 2285, Pub.L. 103-413.

The Deputy Bureau Director, Office of Trust Services has responsibility for this funding.

**Criteria for Distribution:** This program supports the overall management responsibility for the operation of trust functions at the BIA agency and tribal levels with regard to real estate services, probate, environmental and cultural resource compliance, and rights protection programs. Most of the funding is distributed directly from the Office of Budget and Performance Management (OBPM) according to historical Tribal Priority Allocation (TPA) base funding levels.

Non base funds are provided to the BIA regions to support the Deputy Superintendent for Trust positions which provide BIA executive direction and management oversight to Federal employees providing trust program services on behalf of tribes and tribally contracted and compacted trust programs. This subactivity also supports the regional lockbox coordinators who coordinate the distribution of trust funds to individual Indian beneficiaries.

### **Distribution Process:**

#### **Base Funds:**

Indian Affairs OBPM transmits TPA Recurring Base funds to the appropriate BIA Region or to the Office of Self Governance (OSG). (within 5 days of apportionment)

#### **Non Base Funds:**

- Upon apportionment, OBPM moves Non-base funding to the Office of Trust Services. (within 5 days)
- OTS Division Chief, Program Management prepares FEDs for Regions and OSG and obtains signatures and submits the Regional FED to OBPM and the OSG FED to OSG for approval. (within 5 days)
- OBPM processes funds to the appropriate BIA Region (within 3 days)

### **Regional Processing:**

- Indian Self Determination (ISD) Awarding Official negotiates terms, conditions of award, including payments. They calculate Contract Support Costs and prepare contract award/modifications in PRISM. (within 5 days)
- The ISD Awarding Official prints and mails the award/modification to tribe for review and acceptance. (within 5 days)
- Tribal elected official approves award/modification and returns the documentation to the

Region/Agency.

- The ISD Awarding Official executes the award/modification and releases the obligation in PRISM. PRISM interfaces with ASAP and funds are available to tribes. (within 3 days of receipt of signed document)

**OSG Processing:**

- Once both OSG and OBPM are in agreement with the distribution list, a FED document is processed to OSG for distribution. (within 3 business days.)
- OSG will process the FED, subsequent PR, and obligate funding. (within 7 business days.)

Tribes log into ASAP to draw funds into their account.