



Cowlitz Indian Tribe Tribal Application for Cultural Assistance Program General Welfare Exclusion (GWE) Benefits **for the year 2023**

**This application must be filled out every year. Be sure to include your signature in the applicable box.**

To promote the general welfare of our Tribal Community, the Cowlitz Tribal Council has authorized the Cultural Assistance Program. The purpose of the Cowlitz Indian Tribe Cultural Assistance Program is to provide program benefits to enrolled Cowlitz Tribal members, their spouse, and dependents, for participation in Cowlitz cultural events, programs, and activities, such as Drum Group, Huckleberry Camp, First Fish Ceremony, etc.

Please note the following:

- Benefit payments are not intended to be considered income by the IRS and should not be subject to Federal Income tax laws and the Cowlitz Tribe will not issue an IRS 1099 form for these payments.
- Spouse and dependents should only be included on this application if they are not enrolled Cowlitz with their own enrollment number. Any enrolled tribal member seeking GWE benefits must fill out their own forms.

If you have Cowlitz GWE benefit questions, please contact the Cowlitz Culture Department at 360-353-9997 or email to [culture@cowlitz.org](mailto:culture@cowlitz.org).

By completing this form, you are requesting Cultural Assistance Program benefits and certifying that you, your spouse, and dependents are eligible under the Program Qualifications. Payments for this benefit may be made through a mailed check, by direct deposit, or in other forms of cash and currency. Completed forms may be e-mailed to [culture@cowlitz.org](mailto:culture@cowlitz.org) or mailed to the Longview Tribal Office Culture department, PO Box 2547, Longview, WA 98632

Date:

Print Name:

Cowlitz Tribal Enrollment Number:

Print Spouse's Name:

Print Dependent Names:

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Address (Street or PO Box, City, State, Zip Code):

Daytime Phone Number:

E-Mail for communication and payment notification (if applicable):

I hereby apply for Cultural Assistance Program General Welfare Exclusion Benefits for the year \_\_\_\_\_.

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Signature of Tribal Member

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Date