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# NAHASDA Housing Rental & Emergency Program Application

Housing Assistance is offered to Native Americans living within the Seneca-Cayuga Nation's former reservation boundary or any Seneca-Cayuga Nation member residing within a 50-mile radius of the Grove Tribal complex.

### **COMPLETE IN BLACK OR BLUE INK ONLY**

### IN ORDER TO RECEIVE SERVICES, YOU MUST QUALIFY BY MEETING ALL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND PROGRAM FUNDING MUST BE AVAILABLE.

## \*THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REQUIRED: THIS IS NOT OPTIONAL

- **1.** Copy of Tribal Enrollment Card for ALL members living in the household.
- 2. Copy of Social Security Card for ALL members living in the household
- 3. ALL household income must be verified for all members over the age of 18. A statement from the employer on company letterhead stating your earnings or the Employment Verification form attached. This also includes unearned income such as Social Security, AFDC, V.A., Social Security SSI, etc. You can submit the most recent year's award letter as verification for these. If one is unemployed you must submit a letter from the State Unemployment Office or a notarized statement that you do not have any income from any source.
- 4. Copy of signed lease agreement or utility bill(whichever you are requesting assistance for)
- 5. W-9 form/completed by landlord or owner of rental unit

ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED IN ORDER FOR YOUR APPLICATION TO BE COMPLETE AND DETERMINE YOUR ELIGIBILTY TO RECEIVE ASSITANCE. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

| Name:                                      |         |             |
|--|---------|-------------|
| Address:                                   | _City:  | State: Zip: |
| Mailing Address if different from above: _ |         |             |
| Home Phone:                                | Cell #: | Work #:     |
| Email Address:                             |         |             |
| Emergency Contact Name:                    |         | _ Phone#:   |
| Address:                                   |         |             |

## **HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION:**

| Name of all<br>Members:(Last, First,<br>MI) | Relationship<br>To Head | Sex<br>M/<br>F | Date of<br>Birth | Native<br>Y/N | List Tribe | Tribal<br>Enrollment<br># |
|---|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|------------|---------------------------|
|   | Head                    |                |                  |               |            |                           |
|   | Spouse                  |                |                  |               |            |                           |
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\*\*\*\*If you need additional space to list your family members, please use separate sheet of paper and attach it to this application.

Are you or any member of your family handicapped or disabled? \_\_\_\_\_ Please state Disability:

Are you or any member of your family a Veteran? (Circle One) Yes/No

Are you or any member of your family Elderly? (Circle One) Yes/No

HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION: List all income for every member of the household over 18 years old.

Please List the Dollar Amount Received

| Household<br>Member(s) | Employer | Gross<br>Weekly<br>Wages | Welfare<br>TANF | Child<br>Support<br>Received | Social<br>Security<br>Benefits | Unemplo<br>yment<br>Benefits | All<br>Other<br>Income |
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Please explain sources of other income: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Prior Assistance:**

| Have you ever been assisted th | rough the l | Housing Program o | r any other Programs? Yes | No |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|----|
| If yes when?                   |             |                   |                           |    |
| Are you currently homeless or  | -           | -                 |                           |    |
| If yes, please explain:        |             |                   |                           |    |
|                                |             |                   |                           |    |
| Please provide the name of the | electric co | mpany             |                           |    |
| Type of heat (Circle One):     |             | Natural Gas       | Electric                  |    |
| Type of Water (Circle One):    | Rural       | City              | Private Well              |    |
| Type of Sewer (Circle Once):   | City        | Septic System     | Lagoon                    |    |
| Type of Dwelling: Frame Hor    | me:         | Mobile home:      |                           |    |

I/We authorize the Housing Department of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation to verify all information provided on this application. I/We understand that false statements or information are grounds for termination of Housing Assistance. No record will be communicated to anyone or any agency unless requested in writing, either by the applicant or employee of the housing program requiring it in the performance of their duties.

| Applicant Signature:                    | _ Date: |
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|   |         |
|   |         |
| Co-Applicant Signature (If Applicable): | Date:   |

### Authorization for the Release of Information and Privacy Act Notice

**Requirements:** Seneca-Cayuga Nation Housing department requires that you sign a consent form authorizing us to request verification of salary and wages from current or previous employers; to request wage and unemployment compensation claim information from the state agency responsible for keeping that information; and to request certain tax return information from the U.S. Social Security Administration and the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. We require independent verification of income information. Therefore, SCN may request information from financial institutions to verify your eligibility and level of benefits.

**Purpose:** In signing this consent form, you are authorizing SCN to request income information from the sources listed on the form. We need this information to verify your household's income, in order to ensure that you are eligible for assisted housing benefits and that these benefits are set at the correct level.

**Uses of Information to be Obtained:** We are required to protect the income information we obtains in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. We may disclose information (other than tax return information) for certain routine uses, such as to other government agencies for law enforcement purposes, to Federal agencies for employment suitability purposes and for the purpose of determining housing assistance. The SCN is also required to protect the income information it obtains in accordance with any applicable State privacy law. The SCN employees may be subject to penalties for unauthorized disclosures or improper uses of the income information that is obtained based on the consent form. **Private owners may not request or receive information authorized by this form.** 

Who Must Sign the Consent Form: Persons who apply for or receive assistance under any of the Seneca-Cayuga Nation Housing Department programs, must complete this form. Each member of your house hold who is 18 years of age or older must sign the consent form. Additional signatures must be obtained from new adult members joining the household or whenever members of the household become 18 years of age.

**Failure to Sign Consent Form:** Your failure to sign the consent form may result in the denial of eligibility or termination of assisted housing benefits, or both. Denial of eligibility or termination of benefits is subject to the nation grievance procedures.

## Sources of Information To Be Obtained

State Wage Information Collection Agencies. (This consent is limited to wages and unemployment compensation I have received during period(s) within the last 5 years when I have received assisted housing benefits.)

Information may also be obtained directly from: (a) current and former employers concerning salary and wages and (b) financial institutions concerning unearned income (i.e., interest and dividends). I understand that income information obtained from these sources will be used to verify information that I provide in

determining eligibility for assisted housing programs and the level of benefits. Therefore, this consent form only authorizes release directly from employers and financial institutions of information regarding any periods(s) within the last 5 years when I have received assisted housing benefits.

Consent: I consent to allow Seneca-Cayuga Nation Housing Department to request and obtain income information from the sources listed on this form for the purpose of verifying my eligibility and level of benefits under HUD's assisted housing programs. I understand that SCN will not use this form to deny, reduce or terminate assistance without first independently verifying what the amount was, whether I actually had access to the funds and when the funds were received. In addition, I must be given an opportunity to contest those determinations.

This consent form expires 15 months after signed.

## **Privacy Act Notice:**

The Seneca-Cayuga Nation Housing Department is authorized to collect information by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA). You must provide all of the information requested by the housing division.

Your income and other information are being collected by the division of housing to determine your eligibility, the appropriate bedroom size and the amount your family will pay toward rent. This information may be released to appropriate federal, state and local agencies when relevant and to civil, criminal or regulatory investigators and prosecutors pursuant to federal law.

I/We certify that all information provided on this application, including income, and household composition is true and accurate. I/We understand that false statements or information is punishable under Federal Law.

| Signature of Applicant        | Date |
|-------------------------------|------|
| Signature of Spouse/Co-Tenant | Date |
| Other Adult Member            | Date |
| Other Adult Member            | Date |

## **Conflict of Interest Disclosure**

The Seneca-Cayuga Nation Housing Department takes seriously any actual or potential conflicts of interest. As we wish to avoid even the appearance of a conflict, we ask all applicants to disclose any immediate family members, or other significant persons, which could potentially cause a conflict of interest. For this purpose, immediate family member includes, but is not limited to, spouse, children, parents and siblings.

Please list any relationship here (please print):

**Attestation:** The undersigned individual(s) hereby attest(s) that he/she is a participant in one or more of the housing division programs and that he/she is independent of and has no conflict of interest with any persons not listed above.

| Signature of head of household                       | Date                             |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Signature of spouse/Co-Applicant                     | Date                             |
| Official Use Only                                    |                                  |
| Date and time <b><u>COMPLETED</u></b> application re | eceived by Seneca-Cayuga Nation: |
| SCN Housing Employee accepting COMPL                 | <b>LETED</b> application:        |
| Date placed on Waiting List:                         |                                  |
|  | f not eligible, state reason:    |
|  |                                  |
| Additional Comments:                                 |                                  |
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## **EMPLOYMENT INCOME VERIFICATION**

The Seneca-Cayuga Nation Housing Department is required to verify the income of all applicants of the program. The person whose name appears below states that he/she is now employed by your firm. Your cooperation in supplying the information requested below will be appreciated and of benefit to your employee. Such information will be held in confidence and used only by the housing division as legally necessary.

| Date:   |                 | Employee Sign | ature           |                     |        |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------|
| Name/Address of Employer: _                             |                 |               |                 |                     |        |
| Phone:  |                 |               |                 |                     |        |
| Applicant Name  |                 |               |                 |                     |        |
| Address   |                 |               |                 |                     |        |
| City, State, Zip Code                                   |                 |               |                 |                     |        |
| Phone Number  |                 |               |                 |                     |        |
| Social Security Number:                                 |                 |               |                 |                     |        |
| *****   | *****           | *****         | *****           | ******              | ****** |
| INFORMATI   | ON BELOW        | IS TO BE CON  | IPLETED BY EMI  | PLOYER ONLY!        |        |
| Date Employee was hired: _                              |                 | Employ        | vee Title:      |                     |        |
| Circle which applies:                                   | Full-Time       | Part-T        | ime             | Seasonal            |        |
| Current Number of Hours w                               | vorked per weel | k:            |                 |                     |        |
| Current base pay rate per ho                            | our:            |               | Annual Gross \$ |                     |        |
| Employee is paid (Circle)                               | Weekly          | Bi-Weekly     | Monthly         | Yearly              |        |
| The above information is t<br>statements of information |                 |               | •               | inderstand that any | false  |

Authorized Representative's Signature

Date

Position/Title

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| Date:   |                 | Employee Sign | ature           |                    | -       |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------|
| Name/Address of Employer: _                             |                 |               |                 |                    |         |
| Phone:  |                 |               |                 |                    |         |
| Applicant Name  |                 |               |                 |                    |         |
| Address   |                 |               |                 |                    |         |
| City, State, Zip Code                                   |                 |               |                 |                    |         |
| Phone Number  |                 |               |                 |                    |         |
| Social Security Number:                                 |                 |               |                 |                    |         |
| *****   | *****           | *****         | *****           | *****              | ******  |
| INFORMATI   | ON BELOW        | IS TO BE COM  | IPLETED BY EM   | PLOYER ONLY!       |         |
| Date Employee was hired: _                              |                 | Employ        | vee Title:      |                    |         |
| Circle which applies:                                   | Full-Time       | Part-T        | ime             | Seasonal           |         |
| Current Number of Hours w                               | vorked per weel | k:            |                 |                    |         |
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