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## **Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Receiving \$61.7 million In The Initial Payment Through The American Rescue Plan Act Funds.**

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The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes will receive its initial payment of Fiscal Recovery Funds of the American Rescue Plan from the U.S. Treasury in the amount of \$ 61,781,945.09. This initial distribution was formulated through the pro rata share of the total certified tribal enrollment. The deadline for the Tribes to spend the funds is December 31, 2024. The Tribes are still waiting to receive its second payment based on the Tribes 2019 employment data. Once the Tribes receives its second payment, we will announce that amount when it has been finalized.

“Unlike the CARES funds, the ARP funding allows the Tribes greater flexibility and planning, and with this amount we can meet immediate needs of our tribal members as well as setting our Tribes on a solid foundation for many generations to come,” Governor Reggie Wassana said.

The first order of business is to make sure that the needs of our tribal members are met. I have called for a June 3, 2021 Special Session of the Legislature and have submitted a resolution that will provide every Cheyenne and Arapaho enrolled member up to \$2,500 in direct relief emergency assistance. We hope to have the paper applications and online application portal available for tribal members to begin submitting their applications by next Friday.

As my administration has done over the past 3 ½ years, I will work hand in hand with our Legislature and tribal members on a plan to address the Tribes areas of need with these funds including, but not limited to: tribal infrastructure, economic development, job training, health care, housing, education, and business recovery. I invite every tribal member to participate in our tribal government and attend public hearings and sessions of the Legislature to provide your much appreciated input on how our Tribal government is ran.

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Reggie Wassana, Governor