Program Information

Funding for this program is made possible through a grant from the United States Treasury via the Homeowner Assistance Fund. The program is intended to assist Community homeowners who have experienced financial hardship after January 21, 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Assistance Available:

- Mortgage Payment (\$8,000 maximum)
 - Including mortgage delinquencies, defaults, foreclosures
- Financial Assistance
 - Assistance to allow a homeowner to reinstate a mortgage or to pay other housing-related costs related to a period of forbearance, delinquency, or default
- Utility Payment
 - Includes: electric, gas, home energy, and water
 - Includes homeowners at risk of displacement due to utility arrearage
- Internet Service Payment
- Homeowner's/Mortgage Insurance Payment
 - Includes homeowner's insurance, flood insurance, and mortgage insurance
- Property Tax Payments
 - Includes delinquent property taxes to prevent homeowner tax foreclosures
- Home equipment purchases to prevent displacement
- On-Community Homeowners Only
 - Home renovations to prevent displacement (limited to 9 renovations)
 - such as home repairs to maintain the habitability of a home or assistance to enable households to receive clear title to their properties
 - Home rebuilding for total losses (limited to 7 rebuilds)

Eligibility Requirements (back up documentation and attestations required):

- 1. Enrolled member of the Gila River Indian Community;
- 2. At least 18 years old;
- 3. Homeowner;
- 4. Experienced financial hardship after January 21, 2020;
- 5. Meets household income requirements, which require an income equal to or less than 150% of the area median income or 100% of the median income for the United States, whichever is greater;
- Seeks HAF assistance for the homeowner's primary residence, which must be located within the boundaries of the United States, its Territories, or a Federally recognized Tribe's lands; and
- 7. If approved for assistance, agrees to attend housing counseling.

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Program Administered By:

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Mortgage Assistance - Eligible Mortgage Types

- First Mortgages
- Reverse Mortgages (Home Equity Conversion Mortgages, Single-Purposes Reverse Mortgages, or Proprietary Reverse Mortgages)
- Contracts for Deed or Land Contract (if it is a credit transaction secured by a consensual security interest in a dwelling)
- Second Mortgages
- Loans Secured by Manufactured Housing (secured by real estate or dwelling)

Home equipment purchases to prevent displacement

• HVAC units; water heaters; energy efficient windows; steel doors; security doors

Home renovations to prevent displacement (limited to 9 renovations)

- Home repairs to maintain the habitability of a home or assistance to enable households to receive clear title to their properties
- Room additions for overcrowding
- Rehabilitation of home for older generations to keep them in their home and/or installation of equipment for handicap and permanently disabled
- Due to funding limitations, this will require narrative statement and will be reviewed and approved by a panel

Home rebuilding for total losses (limited to 7 rebuilds)

- Rebuild of home burned out homes where insurance was not in place
- Due to funding limitations, this will require narrative statement and will be reviewed and approved by a panel