

CHAPTER 33  
UTILITY PROGRAM

33-1 PURPOSE

33-1.01 The history of the Kootenai Tribe of Idaho is one of hardship and lack of basic electrical, gas and other utilities in Tribal member homes, which have resulted in Tribal member illness and death. The Tribe, therefore, establishes the Utility Program to ensure every Tribal member home has basic electricity, gas and/or other utility service.

33-2 HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

33-2.01 Tribal Council will annually determine the amount of payment the Tribe will provide for basic utility service and make payments directly to the utility provider.

33- 3 ELIGIBILITY

33-3.01 Tribal Council will determine eligibility annually based on the Tribe's financial well-being and Tribal member needs and may take into consideration the following factors or other factors:

- (1) Number of Tribal members and Tribal children in home;
- (2) Location of Tribal member home on Kootenai Trust Lands; and/or
- (3) Location of Tribal member home relative to the Mission.

33-3.02 Tribal members should contact their District Representatives if they are not currently part of the Program to determine whether their Tribal member home is eligible for the Program.

33- 4 CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY

33-4.01 Tribal Council will annually determine whether to continue the Program, eligibility criteria and level of assistance.

33- 5 APPEALS

33-5.01 Tribal Council's decision is final and no appeals are allowed.