

# MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AT-LARGE CITIZEN SERVICES



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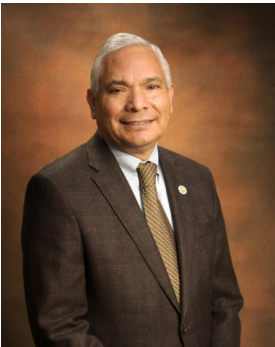
This guide is intended to be a brief summary of programs and services available to Muscogee (Creek) citizens who live outside our boundaries (At-Large). Please note that each program may have different eligibility requirements and guidelines. Information included is subject to change. Please consult appropriate departments for details, deadlines and updates. Contact information and many required forms are available on the MCN website [MCN-NSN.gov](http://MCN-NSN.gov).

**Mailing address for all MCN departments:**

PO Box 580,  
Okmulgee, OK 74447

**Main MCN phone number:**

(918) 756-8700 or Toll Free at 1-800-482-1979



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# DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & HUMAN SERVICES

## **SOCIAL SERVICES (918) 549-2445**

**Email: [socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

The Social Services Department consists of three (3) offices, Social Services, School Clothing, and Social Security. Together, the department provides a total of 14 programs which assist with rent or mortgage payments, utility payments, burial assistance, food for funeral assistance, relocation due to a natural disaster, medical travel assistance for children, Individual Indian Monies (IIM) assessments, school clothing grant, and assistance filing for social security and disability.

## **Hardship Program (918) 549-2445**

**Email: [socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

Provides assistance to citizens who experience a break in income or an extenuating circumstance causing a financial hardship beyond the control of the applicant.

- Direct vendor payments may be used toward shelter or utility costs up to \$500 per year.
- A break in income must not be due to personal fault and may include, but is not limited to: lay off, self-employed loss, medical leave, or loss of child support.
- Examples of extenuating circumstances: major car repair for those employed, medical expenses, separation/divorce, death of household member who contributed income, homelessness, justifiable relocation.

## **Medical Travel (918) 549-2445**

**Email: [socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

Provides assistance to citizens who must travel over 25 miles to receive medical treatment.

- Treatment includes, but is not limited to, cancer treatment, dialysis, major surgery, or mothers who deliver prematurely.
- Assistance provided includes reimbursement or pre-payment with toll fees, parking fees, gas, food and/or lodging.
- Assistance may be paid up to \$2,000 a lifetime. Cancer patients may be eligible up to \$10,000 a lifetime and is considered on a case-by-case basis.

**Natural Disaster Phone: (918) 549-2445**

**Email: [socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

Provides assistance to citizens in the event of a fire, flood, tornado, hurricane, earthquake, etc.

- To replace clothing, groceries, necessities, furniture, or housing and/or emergency shelter costs (Electronics will not be approved.)
- Assistance amount varies; applicants must apply concurrently for other resources including the Red Cross.
- Payments are made directly to vendor(s). Maximum benefit per event is \$5000.
- Must have disaster report or other documentation of disaster, including pictures.

**Tribal Burial Assistance Phone: (918) 549-2445**

**Email: [socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

The Tribal Burial Program provides assistance to families of a deceased enrolled Creek citizen to help alleviate some of the funeral costs. Assistance is given up to \$3,000. Should services cost less than \$3,000, that amount will be paid. Guidelines apply.

**OCN (Out of Creek Nation) Supplemental Burial Program**

**Email: [socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

An indigent burial assistance program.

- Assistance up to \$2,500 may be available and varies based on available resources and need including, but not limited to, insurance policies, burial policies, Individual Indian Monies (IIM) accounts, bank accounts, Social Security, VA benefits, etc.
- The deceased must have lived in the Muscogee (Creek) Nation service area.
- Payment is made directly to the funeral home. Reimbursements are not allowed.
- Application must be made within 30 days from date of death.

**Food for Funeral Program Phone: (918) 549-2445**

**Email: [socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

The food for funeral program provides assistance to families of a deceased enrolled Creek citizen with a food voucher of \$300 to approved grocery stores for food costs associated with a funeral, memorial, cultural wake service, or a family dinner. Food for funeral must be used before the time of the funeral service.

## **Tribal Energy Program (918) 549-2445**

**Email: [socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:socialservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

The Tribal Energy Program provides assistance to enrolled Creek citizens with \$400., towards a heating or cooling bill (seasonal program) who are 55 years of age or disabled.

## **MVSKOKE NATION YOUTH SERVICES**

**Opportunity Grant (918) 549-2557**

**Email: [youthservices@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:youthservices@mcn-nsn.gov)**

To assist enrolled citizens of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, up to the age of 24, with participation in educational activities and non-educational extra-curricular activities. (Examples include but are not limited to: leadership opportunities, athletic or arts competitions, rodeo, and cultural activities, etc.)

## **SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAM (918) 549-2475**

**Email: [tbeaver@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:tbeaver@mcn-nsn.gov)**

The Social Security program serves as a liaison between enrolled Creek citizens and the Social Security Administration Office. Should a citizen need guidance in applying for Social Security, Disability, Death Benefits, Medicare, Medicaid, Etc., he or she may contact the office.

## **SCHOOL CLOTHING PROGRAM (918) 549-2473**

**Email: [schoolclothing@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:schoolclothing@mcn-nsn.gov)**

A grant of \$200 for citizens enrolled in Pre-K through 12th grade, or at least 3 years old enrolled in a certified Head Start Program. Home-schooled children ages 5 to 18 years old may be eligible.

- Awarded once per school year, based on funding availability.
- Reimbursements not allowed.
- Receipts must be provided within 90 days of date check was issued.

## **OFFICE OF CHILDCARE (Oklahoma only) (918) 732-7680**

**Email: [jahtone@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:jahtone@mcn-nsn.gov)**

Child Care Assistance Serving Muscogee (Creek) Nation citizens who reside within our boundaries and within 100 mile radius of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and other Native American who reside within the boundaries of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation

1-(800) 205-3705 or (918) 732-7680 Fax: (918) 758-1498

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 580

Okmulgee, OK 74447

# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

**Tribal Grant (918) 732-7773**

**Email: [ETA@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:ETA@mcn-nsn.gov)**

Tribal Grant & Incentive - A grant for enrolled Muscogee (Creek) Nation Citizens attending accredited Vocational Institutions Nationwide. An incentive is also available for students who obtain the required Grade Point Average. High School Students enrolled concurrently at public universities or technical schools in the state of Oklahoma are also eligible for assistance. This is also for concurrent students as well.

## HIGHER EDUCATION (918) 732-7688

**Email: [highered@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:highered@mcn-nsn.gov)**

The Department administers three grant programs for students pursuing an Associate's or Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university:

Post Graduate Program for masters or doctoral students.

**NEW STUDENTS ONLY:** Applications and required materials are due to the office by the following dates:

- Fall Semester Due By September 9th
- Spring Semester Due By December 15th
- Summer Semester Due By June 1st

## UNDERGRADUATE GRANTS (918) 732-7688

**Email: [highered@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:highered@mcn-nsn.gov)**

- Tribal Funds Grant will be awarded to enrolled citizens attending an accredited college or university with no blood minimum quantity required. Funding does not require Pell-eligibility. The award amount will be determined by the number of hours in which student is enrolled up to a maximum of 18 hours.
- Creek Nation of Oklahoma Scholarship (BIA) Grant- has no minimum blood quantum required, limited to Pell-eligible undergraduate students only. Funding is determined by financial needs established by the student's college/university.
- The Tribal Incentive Grant is for citizens who meet the grade point requirement of 3.0 or better. Students will be funded up to 10 semesters or 150 credit hours, whichever comes first.

## HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION PROGRAM

(918) 732-7754

Email: [mcnscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:mcnscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com)

The Scholarship Foundation Program is a Muscogee (Creek) Nation tribal government non-profit program qualified under Section 7871(a) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. All contributions to the Scholarship Foundation Program are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

More than 30 competitive scholarships of various amounts are available in the Spring and Fall semesters. Find information on their website: [http://](http://creeknationfoundation.org/scholarships/)

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## SPECIAL ACADEMIC EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY GRANT

(918) 732-7727

Email: [shwahnee@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:shwahnee@mcn-nsn.gov)

A one-time supplemental funding for students who have exhausted all other funding sources for their needs. Examples: tutoring, tuition, testing fees, supplies, senior items, laptop. Does not include: personal expenses

## COLLEGE OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION (918) 549-2800

<https://cmn.edu>

## DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR OF AFFAIRS

### CULTURAL PRESERVATION (918) 732-7758

Email: [ofreeman@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:ofreeman@mcn-nsn.gov)

### Library/Archives/Genealogy

Under the direction of the Office of Cultural and Historical Preservation Office, the Muscogee Nation Library/Archives addresses the research and information needs of both citizens and noncitizens engaging in serious inquiry into Muscogee culture and history. The Library/Archives houses a collection of over 1,600 volumes of reference materials, an almost complete set of Bureau of American Ethnology reports and bulletins and 730 reels of microfilmed records of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation from 1828 - 1840. Included in the collections, are the Final Dawes Rolls of the Five Civilized Tribes and the Grant Forman collection of Oklahoma Pioneer Histories. Due to the fragile condition, one of a kind, or limited availability of most works, all Muscogee Nation Library/Archival collections are non-circulating.



## **REALTY TRUST SERVICES (918) 732-7713**

**Email: realtytrustservices@hotmail.com**

Provide recommendations and related services to individuals in the management of Indian Trust and Restricted Land situated within the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. The primary goal is to insure that clients do NOT lose their land as a result of any activity that can be prevented by providing proper assistance in the management of their restricted Indian land. An ancillary goal is to maximize the dollar value our clients receive in return for the use and sale of their restricted and trust land. Realty Trust Services assists the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and its citizens in the transfer of land title to the United States of America in Trust, thus expanding the land base of the Nation and its citizens.

### **Programs:**

- **Trust Probates**
  - Inventories for Probates
  - Specialist prepares the documentation to distribute to any property or IIM funds
- **Removal of Restrictions Mortgage approval**
- **Advices on surface property**
- **Leases: Agricultural, Hunting, Business**
- **Right-Of-Way**
  - Specialists negotiates and prepares documentation for easements, services line agreements and revocable permits
- **On- site inspections**
  - Lease compliance
  - Trespass
  - O & G Inspections as requested by BLM / BIA or landowners
- **Surveys for Restricted/Trust Properties Only**
- **Appraisals for Restricted/Trust Properties Only**
- **LTRO (Land Title Records Office)**
  - TAAMS Conversion
  - Title Status Reports for Clients
- **Environmental**
  - Fee-to-Trust Only
- **Answer Quiet Title Suits**

## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING (*Oklahoma only*)

(918) 549-2554

Email: [housing@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:housing@mcn-nsn.gov)

### Mortgage Down Payment & Closing Cost Program

- For Native American families living within the state of Oklahoma who are first-time homebuyers.
- Grant assistance for down payment and closing costs.
- If eligible through program guidelines by NAHSDA, they will be referred to a HUD-certified lender.

### Muscogee (Creek) Nation Department of Housing

P.O Box 297, Okmulgee, OK 74447,

1 (800) 482-1979, (918) 549-2554

[www.creeknationhousing.org](http://www.creeknationhousing.org)

### OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (918) 732-7739

Email: [kendavis@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:kendavis@mcn-nsn.gov)

The Department assists Muscogee veterans in securing all earned benefits and services from the US Department of Veterans Affairs and the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs.

They continually build and display, inside and outside the Veterans' building/museum, lasting reminders of the sacrifices and contributions of Muscogee veterans. Open to the public during office hours.



## INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

### CITIZENSHIP BOARD (918) 732-7941

The Citizenship Office is governed by a five-member Citizenship Board. The mission of this office is to verify the lineage of descendants of persons listed on the 1906 Dawes Roll. They assist with obtaining citizenship replacement cards, CDIB cards, and enrollment applications, provided all required documentation is received.

The criteria for Citizenship is that you must be Creek by Blood and trace back to a direct ancestor listed on the 1906 Dawes Roll by issuance of birth and/or death certificates. Example: If your mother or father is enrolled as of 1981, then the Citizenship Office will review the documents that were submitted for your mother or father's enrollment as well as the entire lineage to the original enrollee. However, if you are tracing back to an ancestor on the 1906 Dawes Roll, then the death certificate of the original enrollee and birth certificates and/or death certificates with supporting documents of each person thereafter leading up to the applicant are required.

Citizenship applications may be obtained from the MCN-NSN.gov website, mail, email, or picked up at the Citizenship Offices located in Okmulgee and Jenks, Oklahoma.

**Email:** [citizenship@mcn-citizenship.com](mailto:citizenship@mcn-citizenship.com)

### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (918) 549-2608

**Email:** [ccoburn@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:ccoburn@mcn-nsn.gov)

The Mvskoke Loan Fund was established to foster the entrepreneurial growth of Native citizens throughout the state of Oklahoma. The Mvskoke Loan Fund provides training and technical assistance to those starting a new business or expanding an existing business. Business assistance may include: advice on business structure, business plan development and general financial management. Assistance in preparing materials for a loan is provided.

The Mvskoke Loan Fund has a five-member Board of Directors separate from other tribal departments. Lending decisions are made through a loan committee established by the board.

## **ELECTION BOARD (918) 732-7631**

**Email: [election@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:election@mcn-nsn.gov)**

The MCN Election Office is governed by a five-member Board, which holds monthly meetings in the Solomon McCombs Building Conference room the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:30 pm. The Election Board conducts the Muscogee (Creek) Nation elections according to the election codes, Title 19 of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation code and enforces the election codes in a responsible, impartial and unbiased manner. They inform all enrolled registered voters of elections and promote voter registration throughout the Muscogee (Creek) Nation eight districts, as well as to the absentee voters outside the Muscogee (Creek) Nation boundaries.

### **Voter Eligibility**

- Enrolled citizen
- 18 years and older
- Completed registration form found at MCN website, or by contacting the Election Board staff by phone, mail, or at their office in the main complex

### **Enrolled Citizens**

If you are not a registered voter of the tribe, contact the Election Board by calling (918) 732-7631 or (918) 732-7736. The registration clerk will mail you a voter's registration form or you can come by the Election Board office located at the main complex across from the reception desk. We will need a copy of your tribal enrollment card.

### **Voter Address**

All Muscogee (Creek) Nation registered voters (precinct and absentee voters), contact the Election Board office at (918) 732-7631 or (918) 732-7736 to make sure your voter information is up to date. Voter, if you have moved please inform our office of the new address. If you know of any voter who is deceased, please contact our office so that he/she can be removed from our files.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE CABINET

Tribal Administrator	Jerry McPeak	(918) 732-7620
Attorney General	Kevin Dellinger	(918) 295-9720
Controller	George Taylor	(918) 732-7930
Department of Health	Shawn Terry	(918) 756-0310
Education & Training	Greg Anderson	(918) 732-7747
Housing	Samuel Whitlow	(918) 549-2517
Secretary of the Nation and Commerce	Elijah McIntosh	(918) 732-7895
Community & Human Svs	Neenah Tiger	(918) 549-2551
Interior Affairs	Ben Chaney	(918) 732-7726
Lighthouse Police	Chief Robert Hawkins	(918) 732-7799
Deputy Tax Commissioner	Jennifer Langley	(918) 756-6374
Veterans Affairs	Ken Davis	(918) 732-7739
Gaming Commission	Buddy York	(918) 995-8400

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## **OTHER RESOURCES**

**Indian Health Services**  
[www.ih.s.org](http://www.ih.s.org)

**Bureau of Indian Affairs (202) 208-5116**  
**Department of the Interior**  
1849 C Street, N.W.  
MS-4606-MIB  
Washington, D.C. 20240

**Bureau of Indian Education (202) 208-6123**  
**Department of the Interior**  
1849 C Street, N.W.  
MS-3609-MIB  
Washington, D.C. 20240  
[www.bie.edu](http://www.bie.edu)

**Gambling Helpline: 1 (800) 522-4700**

**Tobacco Helpline: 1(800) QUIT-NOW**

**National Suicide Prevention: 1 (800) 273-TALK (8255)**

**Crisis Text Line : Text CREEK to 741-741**

**National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1 (800) 799-7233(SAFE)**



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