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**SECTION IV. APPLICATION**

- A. The program shall be administered by the Department of Kikaajik.
- B. Program funds shall be paid directly to the Tribal Elder.
- C. Application shall be made available upon request from a Tribal Elder and shall also be available on the Tribal website.
- D. Applications shall be deemed completed if they contain the following information:
  - 1. Name, contact information;
  - 2. Enrollment number;
  - 3. Date of birth;
  - 4. Dated signature of the Elder applying for the program certifying that the funds will be used toward food, utility or medical expenditures. Food, utility or medical expenditures include groceries, paper and cleaning products, electric services, gas service, propane, cable, satellite service, internet, doctor office visits, co-pays, prescriptions, vitamins, dental care, vision care, hearing care, hospital costs, nursing home care, nursing care, and other related expenditures.
- E. Applications shall be accepted through November 30<sup>th</sup> of the current calendar year and funding shall only apply to the current fiscal year.
- F. Applications shall not be accepted for past or future fiscal years.

**SECTION V. FUNDS**

- A. Each Elder’s payment shall be at least six-hundred dollars (\$600.00) per fiscal year.

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**B.** The annual Executive budget shall include a line-item to fund the Elders’ Food, Utilities and Medical Cost Program in the amount of at least six-hundred dollars (\$600.00) per Elder to come from third-party billing funds.

**SECTION VI. POSTING REQUIRED**

**A.** The Department shall post on the Tribal website the amount of the Elder’s payment for the upcoming fiscal year by January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

**B.** The Department shall post on the Tribal website the application for the program along with any updates by January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

**C.** The Department shall place the application for the program in the January issue of the Odawa Trails Newsletter.

**SECTION VII. IMPLEMENTATION DATE**

This Statute shall be implemented beginning Fiscal Year 2020.

**SECTION VIII. SEVERABILITY**

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, phrase or portion of this Statute is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

**SECTION IX. EFFECTIVE DATE**

1           Effective upon signature of the Executive or thirty (30) days from Tribal Council  
2 approval whichever comes first or if the Executive vetoes the legislation, then upon Tribal  
3 Council override of the veto.  
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**CERTIFICATION**

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