



## MURUJUGA ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

### Member Support – Application for Assistance

MAC provides financial assistance to Members of the Contracting Claim Groups in accordance with the Member Support Policy.

For further information on Member support programs including eligibility requirements and a list of items included and not included in each program, please refer to the MAC Member Support Policy.



Financial assistance will only be available to cover reasonable costs under the following categories:

- **Elder assistance:** annual limit of up to \$1,000 in grocery cards available to MAC Elders aged 55 years and over (paid twice a year: on 1 July and at Christmas). **No application needed.**
- **Medical assistance:** a lifetime limit of up to \$6,000 available to eligible MAC Members for medical emergencies and expenses.
- **Education:** annual limit of up to \$2,000 per family available to eligible MAC Members for their children's educational support.
- **Lore and Culture:** annual limit of up to \$2,500 available for each child of a MAC Member to assist with lore and culture activities.
- **Discretionary assistance:** to be granted at the Board's discretion upon an evaluation of the merits of the application.



Applicants may submit multiple applications as long as they fall within the specified financial limits for each category.



Cash payments will not be made directly to individuals. Instead, vouchers will be provided or where applicable, payments will be made to the respective service providers.



Applicants will not be reimbursed for goods or services they have already purchased except in exceptional, emergency circumstances where proof of expenditure is provided.



MAC may request further information from an applicant to assist in making a decision. MAC may also require the applicant to seek additional quotes for services.



No applicant has a guaranteed entitlement to a distribution. The decision is at MAC's discretion.

### Summary of items included in each Program

Program	Limit	Items included	Items not included
1. Assistance for Elders aged persons (55+)	\$1,000 per year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Two \$500 grocery cards available on Elders' Birthday (1 July) and Christmas/New Year</li> </ul>	n/a
2. Medical assistance	\$6,000 lifetime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Medical expenses</li> <li>✓ Pharmacy prescriptions</li> <li>✓ Ambulance transport</li> <li>✓ Travel and accommodation balance not covered by PATS</li> <li>✓ 1 pair of prescription glasses</li> <li>✓ Food assistance (\$50 per day)</li> <li>✓ Carer's costs</li> <li>✓ Funds can be used for children</li> <li>✓ Funds can be used to be with a family member admitted in hospital</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>× Cosmetic treatments and items</li> <li>× Private health insurance</li> </ul>
3. Education assistance	\$2,000 per family per year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ School fees (enrolment, tuition, training etc.)</li> <li>✓ Textbooks and general supplies</li> <li>✓ School uniforms</li> <li>✓ School activities (excursions, trips etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>× Sporting programs and equipment</li> <li>× Bicycles or scooters</li> <li>× Electronic devices (laptops, computers, iPads, gaming consoles etc.)</li> </ul>
4. Lore and culture	\$2,500 per child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Food</li> <li>✓ Camping goods and equipment</li> <li>✓ Travel expenses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>× Vehicle repairs</li> <li>× Cultural recording fees or recording equipment.</li> </ul>
5. Discretionary assistance	n/a	n/a	n/a

## Application Process







- The Applicant is a Member of Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation as defined in the Rule Book:  YES  NO
- The Applicant's assistance balance for the relevant criteria has been checked and has ..... available:  YES  NO
- The application is for a purpose that satisfies the Member Support Policy and all other relevant policies of the Corporation:  YES  NO
- Supporting documentation / invoices received:  YES  NO

**FOR BOARD USE ONLY**

**DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED BY MAC:** ...../...../.....

**ASSESSED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CULTURAL ADVICE PROVIDED BY (IF APPLICABLE):**

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**OPTIONS:**

A.  THIS APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED

OR

B.  THIS APPLICATION HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED

**COMMUNICATION SENT TO APPLICANT ADVISING OF DECISION**

ON THE ...../...../.....  SMS  LETTER  TELEPHONE CALL

	Date	Initial
<b>Stage 1 –</b> Approval Status		
<b>Stage 2 –</b> Approved – Create & Send Purchase Order		
<b>Stage 3 –</b> Enter Purchase Bills		
<b>Stage 4 –</b> Print Letter / Application Attached		