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Dear ONAC Friends:

Yesterday, the Oklahoma Native Assets Coalition, Inc. (ONAC) co-hosted a training with Code for America to provide information on how to help Native families claim their Child Tax Credit (CTC) and missing stimulus payments.

Why is ONAC interested in helping Native families claim their CTC? We care because the CTC could help reduce child poverty among Native children by more than 60%. See this [Brookings article](#) which links to [this report](#) from Columbia University.

Tribal governments and Native-led nonprofits may be interested in helping Native families claim their CTC and/or missing stimulus payments by directing them to the [GetCTC.org](#) non-filer tool. **The GetCTC.org portal is open until November 15, 2021** (while the IRS non-filer portal closes today).

GetCTC.org is an IRS-approved official E-file provider. The portal was made in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Treasury and the White House, to try to help people claim the advance Child Tax Credit payments (<https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy0322>).

If you are interested in connecting tribal citizens to this portal, as a GetCTC.org navigator, we are sharing the following resources from the training:

- [Recording of yesterday's presentation](#)
- [Presentation slides](#)
- Navigator resource page: [GetCTC.org/navigators](#)
- Recommended outreach materials: [Social Press Kit's outreach toolkit](#) and [Center on Budget and Policy Priorities toolkit](#)

If those assisting with CTC navigator outreach have additional questions, they can join Code for America for their regularly scheduled [Navigator Q&A session](#) every other Friday from 2-3 pm ET. The next one is today, October 15th. They accept registrations to join up until the time the Q&A sessions begin. Questions may be sent to [navigators@getyourrefund.org](mailto:navigators@getyourrefund.org).

Tribal governments and Native-led nonprofits might be interested in tracking their CTC outreach by requesting a unique URL through GetCTC.org. It only takes a few minutes to complete the request for a unique URL. For those not interested in tracking their outreach, if you need a link, here is ONAC's URL: [www.GetCTC.org/ONAC](http://www.GetCTC.org/ONAC), or you may direct tribal



citizens to [www.GetCTC.org](http://www.GetCTC.org) (with no outreach tracking). From ONAC's perspective, we are interested in getting the word out about the benefits of claiming the CTC, and in helping build the capacity of others interested in these time-sensitive outreach efforts. Thus, our interest in co-hosting the training yesterday to try to get as many Native navigators prepared to share information about the non-filer tool. Please know that you can help direct individuals to the portal even if you are not a tax preparer.

Having a checking or savings account will help Native families to gain a safe place to deposit their advance Child Tax Credit payments and missing stimulus payments. Attached is a flyer we generated this week, as part of the [ONAC Get Banked Indian Country initiative](#), that provides information about the CTC and suggestions for opening a safe and affordable bank account.

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