

# Low Income Household Water Assistance Program

## VILLAGE OF ANIAK LIHWAP PROFILE SUMMARY



The Village of Aniak Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is funded at \$18,707 in FY21. The Village of Aniak utilizes LIHWAP grant funds to provide emergency assistance to enable low-income households to access water and wastewater services.

### Program Operation

The Village of Aniak's LIHWAP, which began in January 2022, is managed and operated at Tribal level in coordination with other programs available to low-income households. The Village of Aniak's LIHWAP prioritizes relief assistance to households with passed due water and sewer bills.

Program staff determine client eligibility and process benefit payments to water service providers.

### FY21 LIHWAP FUNDING ALLOCATION



#### AMOUNT

**TOTAL: \$18,707**

- ARP: \$7,433
- CAA: \$11,274



#### OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

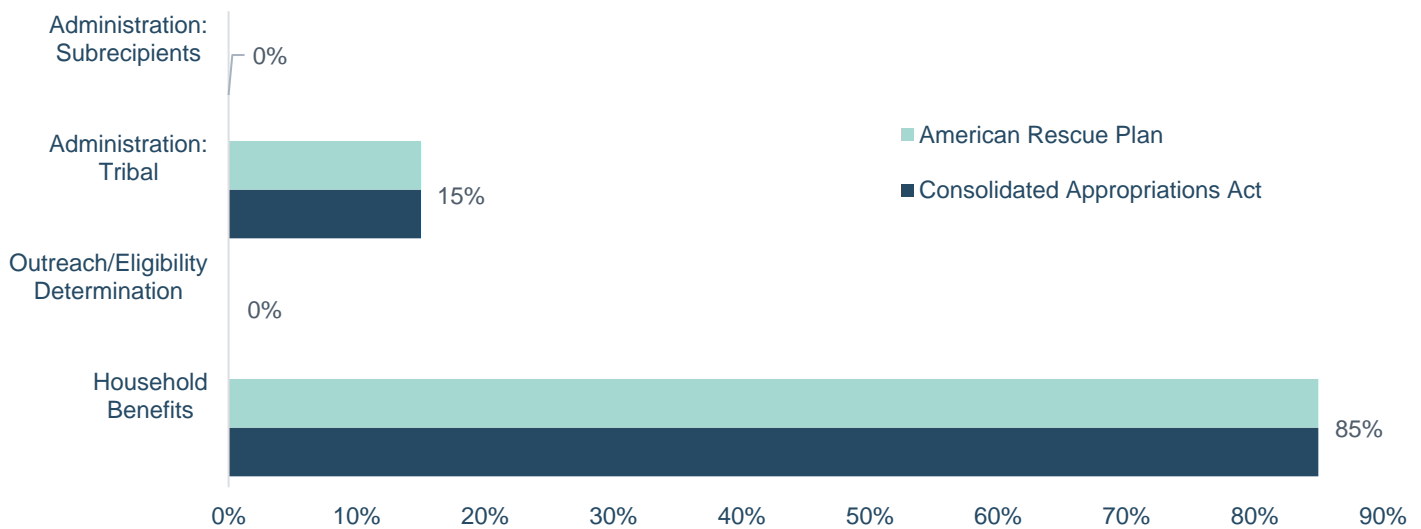
- Payment of arrearages



#### PROGRAM COORDINATION

- Joint application and coordination with LIHEAP

### Use of Funding by Funding Source



### Benefits on Behalf of Households

Under the Tribe's administration of the program, eligible households may receive a one-time benefit of up to \$210. Program staff use a benefit matrix to determine eligibility amounts and prioritize assistance.

### Priority Populations

Households that meet program eligibility criteria **and** fall in one of the following categories receive priority assistance.

- ✓ People with disabilities
- ✓ Families with young children
- ✓ Older Adult/Seniors (60+)
- ✓ Households with high water burden

Customers in single family households are put on a list for assistance after the most vulnerable populations are served, and based on available funding.

### Program Outreach Activities

- Work directly with water utilities to identify potential recipients.
- Inform low-income applicants of the availability of all types of LIHWAP assistance at application intake for other low-income programs.
- Post flyers throughout the community including at the local store and post office.

## Eligibility and Benefit Determination Criteria

Title	Item
Income Threshold	
	150% Federal Poverty Guideline
✓	60% State Median Income
	Hybrid Federal and State (based on household size)
Categorical Eligibility	
✓	LIHEAP
	Means-tested Veterans Programs
	Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP)
	Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
Eligible Households	
✓	Homeowners
✓	Renters
Benefit Level Determination*	
✓	Income
✓	Household size
✓	Household drinking water burden
✓	Household wastewater burden
Benefit Amount	
<b>\$70</b>	Minimum
<b>\$210</b>	Maximum
Benefit Period	
✓	One Time
	Multiple

\*Grant recipients are required to determine a benefit level for households seeking assistance with their current water and wastewater bills. Benefit level determination is based on household income, size, and drinking water and wastewater burden.

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