

## THE EXTREME REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT DEVASTATES INDIAN COUNTRY

A government shutdown would leave tribes and Indian Country in the dark as federal support programs across the government shut their doors. In every state in the nation – tribes would be forced to find new ways to get by. Safety and health would be threated and families will be impacted as aid dries up.

- Food costs will sky-rocket as aid programs are forced to close. The Food
  Distribution Program on Indian Reservations will be disrupted, leaving families
  struggling to afford food. In the 2019 shutdown, food sites faced funding gaps that
  led to interrupted food deliveries and distribution problems.
- Children will be forgotten as education support programs shutdown. Primary, second, and higher education efforts from the Bureau of Indian Affairs will be greatly affected. Specifically, tribal lands could see horrible effects on Head Start programs, furthering the education gap.
- Lifesaving programs for at-risk community members like elders will switch to
  emergency operating plans. As Health and Human Services programs as forced to
  work with barebones budget, families on Tribal lands will be unable to find the health
  support they need.

