

# Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe CRST 2010 Disaster Press Release

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CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE CONTINUES TO ACCEPT DONATIONS OF FUNDS AND SUPPLIES TO ADDRESS THE DISASTER CRISIS

Eagle Butte, South Dakota (January 31, 2010) – The Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe declared a state of emergency in central South Dakota, an Indian reservation approximately the size of Connecticut with nearly 15,000 residents. The Tribe awaits a Presidential disaster declaration.

Thus far, the Tribe has graciously accepted help from Indian Country and beyond, including Wal-Mart, Inc., the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, the Oglala Sioux Tribe, the Santee Sioux Tribe, Hawkwing, Inc., Joseph Kennedy II and CITGO, American Indian Relief Council, National Indian Gaming Association and the Seminole Tribe of Florida, Inc. More help and assistance is still needed.

The ice storm of January 21, 2010, followed by a blizzard and bitterly cold temperatures, resulted in reservation-wide power and water outages. Our water and utility companies remain diligently at work restoring essential services to the Reservation, however, several elderly, ranching and rural communities remain without power or water. Supplies are needed to help get these communities through the winter, and donations are needed to address the costs of the immediate crisis, response and recovery.

The official donations to the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe can be made as follows:

- WEB: <https://secure.pirx.com/donate/0oFFsK8c/Cheyenn-River-Sioux-Tribe/>
- MAIL: Benita Clark, Tribal Treasurer, P.O. Box 590, Eagle Butte, SD 57625, make checks payable to the "Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe CRST 2010 Disaster."
- WIRE: United Bkrs Bloomington ABA# 091 001 322; Beneficiary Bank or Beneficiary: Account# 250 3373, State Bank of Eagle Butte; Beneficiary of Final Credit: Account Holder@UBB Customers Bank; Account Holder: Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe CRST 2010 Disaster, Routing #: 091409351, Account #: 103173.

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