

# THE FUTURE

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## DESCENDANT ENROLLMENT

opens 2024



**K'OYITL'OTS'INA  
LIMITED**

**SPECIAL NEWSLETTER**  
Winter 2024

## CELEBRATING A NEW YEAR & NEW SHAREHOLDERS

It is a new year – and K'oyitl'ots'ina is preparing to welcome new shareholders!

After years of in-depth discussion and careful research, K'oyitl'ots'ina shareholders overwhelmingly approved opening enrollment to descendants at the 2023 annual meeting last June.

Since the annual meeting, K'oyitl'ots'ina staff members have been working to develop the systems and processes to accept and process descendant applications. **We anticipate opening enrollment by June 2024.**

## WE NEED YOUR HELP

As part of the behind-the-scenes open enrollment preparations, we are currently in the process of switching over to a more user-friendly shareholder database. You can help us by:

**↑ Making sure we have your correct address on file.** If you've updated your address recently, let us know by contacting [openrollment@kcorp.alaska.com](mailto:openrollment@kcorp.alaska.com) or (907) 452-8119 x114.

**☰ Submitting or updating your stock will.** Contact us at [openrollment@kcorp.alaska.com](mailto:openrollment@kcorp.alaska.com) or (907) 452-8119 x114 to confirm that we have a valid, current stock will on file for you.



## WANT TO WIN \$300?

Did you know that you could win cash just by having a stock will? Each quarter, we award a **\$300 prize** to one lucky shareholder who has a valid stock will on file. Congratulations to our recent winners:



**October 2023**  
Steven Bergman, Sr.  
Allakaket, AK



**January 2024**  
Jodie Beetus  
Hughes, AK



The next stock will prize drawings will be held:

- April 1
- July 1
- November 1

All shareholders who have valid stock wills on file will automatically be entered to win each quarter. For more information or to submit a stock will, contact us at [openrollment@kcorp.alaska.com](mailto:openrollment@kcorp.alaska.com) or (907) 452-8119 x114.

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## 1, 2, 3, APPLY!

Applying for open enrollment is as easy as 1, 2, 3!  
Once the application period opens, follow these steps to apply:

- 1 Download the application** from [kcorpalaska.com/openenrollment](http://kcorpalaska.com/openenrollment) or contact [openenrollment@kcorpalaska.com](mailto:openenrollment@kcorpalaska.com) or (907) 452-8119 x114 to request a hard-copy application.
- 2 Compile all of the required documents**, including an original birth certificate and tribal ID or Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB). Additional documents you may need to submit include proof of name change, proof of custodianship, paternity affidavit, and/or adoption court order.
- 3 Complete and return the application along with all supporting documents.** Be sure to include all required documents with your application to expedite your application review and approval process.

If you have questions or need assistance at any time during the process, please contact us at [openenrollment@kcorpalaska.com](mailto:openenrollment@kcorpalaska.com) or (907) 452-8119 x114.

## CHECK YOUR ELIGIBILITY

Class B Stock

To enroll and receive Class B Stock, applicants must:

- Be born after December 18, 1971.
- Have at least one-quarter Alaska Native blood quantum. This can only be established through biological parent(s); it cannot be met through adoptive parent(s).
- Be a child (including adoptee) of an original shareholder holding Class A Stock who received their shares directly from K'oyitl'ots'ina (not through gift or inheritance) or a Class B Stock shareholder.
- Be a United States citizen.

Wonder if you or your family members qualify? Contact us – we are here to help!

## HELPFUL TIPS FOR YOUR APPLICATION

Here are some tips to help your application and approval process go as smoothly as possible!

- Be sure to submit an **original** birth certificate. We cannot accept photocopies of birth certificates. Your original birth certificate will be returned to you promptly.
- You can obtain an original certified birth certificate by contacting your local Vital Statistics Office.
  - For Alaska vital records, call 907-465-3391 or apply online at [dhss.alaska.gov/dph/VitalStats/Pages](http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/VitalStats/Pages).
  - For births outside of Alaska, apply online at [cdc.gov/nchs/howto/w2w/w2welcom.htm](http://cdc.gov/nchs/howto/w2w/w2welcom.htm).
- If you need a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB), contact the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
  - In Fairbanks: visit 101 12th Ave., Room 166, Fairbanks, AK 99701, or call (907) 456-0522 or (800) 822-3596.
  - In Anchorage: visit 3601 C St., Suite 1200, Anchorage, AK 99503, or call (907) 271-4585 or (800) 645-8465.
- If you need a tribal ID card for Alatna, Allakaket, Huslia or Hughes Villages, contact the Tanana Chiefs Conference Tribal Enrollment Program at [tananachiefs.org/services/tribal-enrollment](http://tananachiefs.org/services/tribal-enrollment).
- Make sure to include all required documents with your application; applications submitted with missing documents will be marked as incomplete and this will delay the processing and approval process.

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## YOUR FAQs ANSWERED

Ensuring that shareholders understand the open enrollment process has been a top priority for us. Below are answers to some of the frequently asked questions we have received.

**Q** If I already have K'oyitl'ots'ina shares, am I eligible to enroll as a descendant?

**A** Yes, if you have received gifted and/or inherited shares, and you were born after December 18, 1971, you are still eligible to enroll as a descendant.

**Q** If I already have shares in the corporation, will I get the new shares automatically?

**A** No, you will need to apply for Class B descendant stock. No application is required for Class C Elder stock.

**Q** If I have shares from other village corporations, am I eligible to enroll as a descendant?

**A** Yes, you can hold gifted and/or inherited shares from another village corporation. As long as you are not enrolled as a descendant to another village corporation, you are eligible to enroll as a descendant.

**Q** After I apply, how long will it take to know if I am approved?

**A** The turnaround time varies, depending on the volume of applications we receive and if you have submitted a complete application with all necessary documents. You can help facilitate a smooth process by returning all required documents with your application.

**Q** How long will enrollment be open to descendants?

**A** Enrollment will be open indefinitely. As descendants are born, they will be eligible to apply for Class B Stock.

**Q** How many descendants will be eligible to enroll?

**A** The number of new shareholders enrolled over time will reflect birth and death rates. It will also depend on how many new shareholders apply to receive the new Class B descendant stock. K'oyitl'ots'ina anticipates at least 1,000 descendants will be eligible to enroll.

**Q** What will the application processes be for eligible Class B Stock?

**A** All prospective new shareholders must use the application provided by K'oyitl'ots'ina for acceptance as a Class B Stock shareholder. Be prepared to provide an original birth certificate that shows you are a child of a Class A original shareholder or Class B descendant shareholder. Since that person must be your parent, all you will need is your own birth certificate. You must also provide either the date of birth or the last four digits of the parent's Social Security number. For individuals who were adopted, or whose paternity is unknown or not legally established, there are opportunities to provide a tribal enrollment verification letter or tribal ID card for review and acceptance.

**Q** I want to enroll both myself and my children. Can I submit applications for all of us at the same time?

**A** As part of the application process, you must provide a birth certificate showing that you are the child of a Class A shareholder or Class B shareholder. Due to this requirement, parents who are applying for Class B shares and also want to enroll their children must be apply and be approved before their children are eligible.

**Q** Does my stock come from a specific village?

**A** When shareholders approved descendant enrollment, they created new stock, separate from the original 75,000 shares of Class A Stock. While this new stock won't necessarily come from a specific village like Class A Stock, it will be assigned with shareholder ID numbers that track back to which village the shareholders' ancestors came from. This will let descendants know which board seat they are allowed to run for. The board consists of nine board members: two from each village and one at-large seat.

**Q** I have gifted/inherited shares. When I turn 65, will I receive the additional 25 shares of Class C Stock?

**A** No, only original shareholders who received their shares directly from K'oyitl'ots'ina are eligible for the additional Class C Stock upon turning 65. "Original" does not include inherited and/or gifted shares.



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## PLANNING TO APPLY?





**Are you a K'oyitl'ots'ina descendant who plans to apply when enrollment opens this summer? Tell us why you want to be a shareholder!**


Over the several months, we'll be featuring our descendants – our future shareholders! If you'd like to introduce yourself, please send your name, your village, a photo of yourself, and a short description about why you want to be a shareholder to [openenrollment@kcorp.alaska.com](mailto:openenrollment@kcorp.alaska.com).

## WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

As open enrollment draws nearer, we will continue to communicate with you about our progress and next steps. For the latest updates:

 Visit our open enrollment webpage, [kcorp.alaska.com/openenrollment](http://kcorp.alaska.com/openenrollment)

 Follow us on Facebook, [facebook.com/koyitlotsina](https://facebook.com/koyitlotsina)

 Sign up for our e-newsletters, [kcorp.alaska.com/openenrollment](http://kcorp.alaska.com/openenrollment)

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Jenna Koyukuk, shareholder relations specialist, at (907) 452-8119 x109 or [openenrollment@kcorp.alaska.com](mailto:openenrollment@kcorp.alaska.com).

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**APRIL 1**  
STOCK WILL DRAWING

**APRIL 10**  
BOARD MEETING

**JUNE 1**  
ANNUAL  
SHAREHOLDER MEETING  
ALLAKAKET

**JULY 1**  
STOCK WILL DRAWING

**AUGUST 17**  
BOARD MEETING

**NOVEMBER 1**  
STOCK WILL DRAWING