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A plan for the use and distribution of \$600,000 awarded to the Seneca Nation of Indians by the Indian Claims Commission is being published in the Federal Register, the Bureau of Indian Affairs said today.

The award is compensation for leased lands within the Allegany Reservation in New York State. The major portion of the leased lands are within the boundaries of the City of Salamanca.

According to the plan, approved by Congress and made effective February 1, 1979, 80 percent of the award will be distributed on a per capita basis to members of the Seneca Nation.

The remaining 20 percent will be invested and used for social purposes. The income from the invested portion plus ten percent of the principal will be used each year, until depleted, for funding and maintenance of the tribe's Day Care Program, Poormaster Fund and other programs.

<https://www.bia.gov/as-ia/opa/online-press-release/plan-seneca-nation-award-published>