

HARDSHIP

Hardship Support Rates (Effective **October 1, 2012**)

Family Unit Composition	Age of Applicant or Recipient	Maximum Amount of Support
Sole applicant/recipient and no dependent children	Applicant/recipient is under 65 years of age	\$235.00
Sole applicant/recipient and no dependent children	Applicant/recipient is under 65 years of age and a person who has persistent multiple barriers to employment	\$282.92
Sole applicant/recipient and no dependent children	Applicant/recipient is 65 or more years of age	\$531.42
Sole applicant/recipient and one or more dependent children	Applicant/recipient is under 65 years of age	\$375.58
Sole applicant/recipient and one or more dependent children	Applicant/recipient is under 65 years of age and a person who has persistent multiple barriers to employment	\$423.58
Sole applicant/recipient and one or more dependent children	Applicant/recipient is 65 or more years of age	\$672.08
Two applicants/recipients and no dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age	\$307.22
Two applicants/recipients and no dependent children	One applicant/recipient is a person who has persistent multiple barriers to employment, the other is not a person who has persistent multiple barriers and both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age	\$396.22
Two applicants/recipients and no dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age and both have persistent multiple barriers to employment	\$452.06
Two applicants/recipients and no dependent children	One applicant/recipient is under 65 years of age and the other is 65 or more years of age	\$700.56
Two applicants /recipients and no dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are 65 or more years of age	\$949.06
Two applicants/recipients and one or more dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age	\$401.06
Two applicants/recipients and one or more dependent children	One applicant/recipient is a person who has persistent multiple barriers to employment, the other is not a person who has persistent multiple barriers and both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age	\$490.06
Two applicants/recipients and one or more dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age and both have persistent multiple barriers to employment	\$546.06
Two applicants/recipients and one or more dependent children	One applicant/recipient is under 65 years of age and the other is 65 or more years of age	\$794.56

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Two applicants/recipients and one or more dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are 65 or more years of age	\$1043.06

Hardship Shelter Rates

Size of Family Unit	Maximum Shelter Allowance
1 person	\$375
2 persons	\$570
3 persons	\$660
4 persons	\$700
5 persons	\$750
6 persons	\$785
7 persons	\$820
8 persons	\$855
9 persons	\$890
10 persons	\$925

Notes:

- All rates are monthly.
- In addition to the support allowance, families receive a monthly payment for each child under 19 years of age. Families receive either:
 - a federally administered payment that is comprised of the British Columbia Basic Family Bonus and the National Child Benefit Supplement, which are collectively known as the Family Bonus under the BCEA legislation;
 - a top-up amount from the Ministry of Social Development if their Family Bonus payment is less than the Family Bonus top-up supplement rates in the General Supplements rate table or the child is ineligible for the federal payment.