

Hardship Assistance Rate Table

Hardship Support

Effective: October 1, 2017

<i>The asterisk indicates the most recent rate table changes</i>		
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	*\$335.00
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	*\$382.92
Sole applicant/recipient and no dependent children	Applicant/recipient is 65 or more years of age	*\$631.42
Sole applicant/recipient and one or more dependent children	Applicant/recipient is under 65 years of age	*\$475.58
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	*\$523.58
Sole applicant/recipient and one or more dependent children	Applicant/recipient is 65 or more years of age	*\$772.08
Two applicants/recipients and no dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age	*\$407.22
*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	*\$496.22
Two applicants/recipients and no dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age and both have persistent multiple barriers to employment	*\$552.06
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	*\$800.56
Two applicants /recipients and no dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are 65 or more years of age	*\$1049.06
Two applicants/recipients and one or more dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are under 65 years of age	*\$501.06
*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	*\$590.06

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Family Unit Composition	Age of Applicant or Recipient	Maximum Amount of Support
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	*\$646.06
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	*\$894.56
Two applicants/recipients and one or more dependent children	Both applicants/recipients are 65 or more years of age	*\$1,143.06

Hardship Shelter

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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 may also receive a monthly payment for each child under 19 years of age. For more information, see [Child Benefits Top-up Supplement](#).
- In cases where the family unit consists of a couple where one adult only receives OAS/GIS/Allowance and the Senior's Supplement and the family receives top up from BCEA, the system will automatically deduct these payments. Deductions are first taken from the family's support portion, then the shelter portion. Any remaining entitlement will be paid by the system [for the OAS/GIS and Senior's Supplement rates, see Rate Tables – Senior's Supplement].