



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

RATES FOR FOOD AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMMES

Food Assistance Programmes:-

Emergency Food Coupon Rates:

- Single applicants.....\$ 50.00
- Applicants with 1 dependent.....\$ 60.00
- Applicants with 2 dependents.....\$ 70.00
- Applicants with 3 dependents.....\$ 80.00
- Applicants with 4 dependents.....\$ 90.00
- Applicants with 5 or more dependents..... \$100.00

Permanent Food Assistance (PFA) / Temporary Food Assistance (TFA) Monthly Rates:

- Single applicants.....\$ 84.00
- Applicants with 1 dependent..... \$105.00
- Applicants with 2 dependents.....\$126.00
- Applicants with 3 dependents.....\$147.00
- Applicants with 4 dependents.....\$168.00
- Applicants with 5 or more dependents.....\$189.00

Financial Assistance Programmes:-

- Burial Assistance.....\$650.00 (assists as need arises;
payments are made directly to approved vendors)
- Bahamas Power and Light.....\$600.00 (within 12 month period)
- Water and Sewerage.....\$600.00 (within 12 month period)
- Cooking Gas.....\$100.00 Tank Refill
- Cooking Gas and Tank.....\$300.00 (one-time)
- Rent Assistance\$1,200.00 (within 12 month period)

- Fire Relief.....\$2,500.00 (maximum)
- Inter-Island Travel Assistance.....via boat or plane depending on destination and cost
- Uniform Assistance and Footwear Assistance Rates:
 - Pre-School.....*.\$ 80.00 (Uniforms)*\$20.00 (Shoes) \$100.00
 - Primary School..... *\$100.00 (Uniforms).....*\$30.00 (Shoes)..... \$130.00
 - Secondary School..... *\$120.00 (Uniforms).....*\$35.00 (Shoes)\$155.00
 - *Applicants with 5 dependents maximum may apply
- Disability Allowance Monthly Rates:
 - Children from ages 0 to under 16 years.....\$120.00
(payments made bi-monthly to parents/guardians on behalf of children)
 - Adults 18 years and older
 - Single Applicants.....\$140.00
 - Applicants with 1 dependent.....\$160.00
 - Applicants with 2 dependents.....\$180.00
 - Applicants with 3 dependents.....\$200.00
 - Applicants with 4 dependents.....\$220.00
 - Applicants with 5 or more dependents.....\$240.00
- Med Cards at Health Social Services at PMH.....\$100.00
(for periods ranging from 1 day to 12 months for medical patients
of ALL ages for X-rays, Lab tests, ECGs and medications).
- Med Cards at Health Social Services at SRC.....\$100.00
(for periods ranging from 1 day to 12 months for psychiatric patients
ages 18 to 64 years, for X-rays, Lab tests and medications)
- Specialized Medical Tests/Treatment at Health Social Services at PMH.....\$5,000.00
(maximum)
- Natural Disaster Assistance - Rates of the DOSS' programmes are increased as need
arises.

ALL Applicants MUST be 18 years or older.

E-Passport and NIB Smart Card Identifications Are Mandatory.

ALL APPLICATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL.