



General Assistance Emergency Housing

Early Authorization of Hotel/Motel housing assistance for December 1, 2024

A Message to Emergency Housing Applicants and Recipients,

On December 1, 2024, Adverse Weather Conditions starts for General Assistance Emergency Housing. Households with a member meeting one of the following criteria can be offered emergency housing assistance in a motel/hotel regardless of how many days of assistance they have previously received:

- Age 65+
- Has a disability: SSI, SSDI, or Medical Variance form.
- Child(ren) age 19 and under
- Pregnant
- Experienced the death of a spouse, domestic partner, or minor child causing housing loss
- Experienced a natural disaster causing housing loss
- Court-ordered or constructive eviction (no fault of the household)
- Experienced domestic or similar dangerous violence causing housing loss

As of November 18, 2024, the General Assistance Emergency Housing program will be issuing early authorizations for Hotel and Motel housing assistance to begin on December 1, 2024, for eligible applicants who are unsheltered, for example the household is sleeping outside or in a car.

If you are unsure if you can get an early approval or believe that you could be eligible for an early authorization, please call 1-800-775-0506 on or after November 18, 2024, to speak to a benefits specialist. Phone lines will be open Monday through Friday for extended hours from 8am to 6pm between November 18th and 27th. If you need a phone or assistance in calling, please visit an Economic Services Division district office and see the Administrative Specialist at the check-in counter.