

# Women, Violence and Poverty Increasing Access to Income Assistance

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**If you are a victim of domestic violence Surrey Women's Centre can help you apply for income assistance.**

## INCOME ASSISTANCE (EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2007)

Unit Size	Support Rate								Shelter Maximum
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	
1	\$235.00	\$282.92	N/A	\$531.42	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$375.00
2	\$307.22	\$452.06	\$375.58	\$700.56	\$949.06	\$672.08	\$423.58	\$396.22	\$570.00
3	\$401.06	\$546.06	\$375.58	\$794.56	\$1043.06	\$672.08	\$423.58	\$490.06	\$660.00
4	\$401.06	\$546.06	\$375.58	\$794.56	\$1043.06	\$672.08	\$423.58	\$490.06	\$700.00
5	\$401.06	\$546.06	\$375.58	\$794.56	\$1043.06	\$672.08	\$423.58	\$490.06	\$750.00
6	\$401.06	\$546.06	\$375.58	\$794.56	\$1043.06	\$672.08	\$423.58	\$490.06	\$785.00
7	\$401.06	\$546.06	\$375.58	\$794.56	\$1043.06	\$672.08	\$423.58	\$490.06	\$820.00

Key	Effective April 1, 2007, rates for:
A	Employable singles, couples, and two-parent families where all adults are under 65 years of age.
B	Singles, couples, and two-parent families where all adults meet the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers (PPMB) criteria and all are under 65.
C	Employable one-parent families where the parent is under 65.
D	Singles, couples, and two-parent families where one adult is aged 65 years or older.
E	Couples and two-parent families where both adults are aged 65 years or older.
F	One-parent families where the parent is aged 65 or older.
G	One-parent families where the parent meets the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers (PPMB) criteria and is under 65.
H	Couples and two-parent families where one adult meets the PPMB criteria and all are under 65.

### NOTE:

All rates are monthly.

In addition to the support allowance, families receive \$123.50 for each child to age 19 years, under the BC Family Bonus and ministry top-up if the Family Bonus is less than \$123.50 or the child is ineligible for Family Bonus.

Families of two or more that include someone on Old Age Security (OAS) are entitled to a maximum shelter rate for the family size.

Shelter increments continue to increase by an additional \$35 for each additional dependant after unit size 7.

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## HARDSHIP SUPPORT (EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2007)

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

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

## HARDSHIP SHELTER

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

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Other hand-outs from this series including:  
Your Rights, Applying for Assistance,  
Assistance Rates, Application Identification  
and Checklist for Service Providers and can  
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