

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

A. Kinds of emergencies covered.

Emergency assistance means all aid, care and services granted to families with children, including migrant families, to deal with crisis situations threatening the family and to meet urgent needs resulting from a sudden occurrence or set of circumstances demanding immediate attention.

Emergency assistance must be provided immediately to or on behalf of a needy child under the age of 18 or under the age of 19 and a full-time student providing:

1. The children are living with an eligible relative.
2. The children, parents or other eligible relatives are without income or resources immediately available to meet the need and the households available income on the date of application is at or below 200% of the federal poverty level for that household size or the household is financially eligible to receive public assistance, or for child protective, child preventive or other child welfare services, at least one member of the household is in receipt of public assistance or supplemental security income.
3. The assistance is necessary to avoid destitution of the children or to provide living arrangements for them in a home.
4. Such destitution did not arise from the mismanagement of a public assistance grant or because a member of the family refuses, without good cause, to accept employment or training for employment.
5. Such destitution did not arise from the mismanagement of a public assistance grant, or the emergency grant being applied for will not replace or duplicate a public assistance grant already made. This does not prohibit the issuing of emergency assistance to replace a lost or stolen public assistance grant.

B. Kinds of assistance provided to meet emergency situations.

Cash grants, vendor payments and supplies necessary to meet the identified emergent need.

C. Kinds of service provided to meet the emergency situation.

Information referral, counseling, securing family shelter and any other services which meet needs attributable to the emergency situation.