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MOVING SUPPLEMENT

The Ministry may provide a moving supplement in specific situations for individuals on income assistance, hardship assistance or disability assistance.

Reasons the Supplement may be provided

1. Person is moving to substantially less rent (approximately \$100.00 less than current shelter amount)
2. Individual's place has been sold, is being demolished or is condemned and notice to vacate has been given
3. Person is facing an imminent threat to the physical safety of anyone in the family unit
4. The Ministry may also assist a person to move anywhere in Canada if a person has confirmed employment or to another province if the move is to a permanent, supportive, positive environment that is not available in this province

Eligibility

In order to qualify for the Moving Supplement, both the following MUST apply:

- there are **no other resources available** to the family to cover moving costs
- Must have **approval first** from the ministry before incurring moving costs

Storage Fees: *If a person is eligible for the supplement and needs to store possessions for a limited time, storage fees may be paid by the ministry depending on the circumstances*

Shipping costs for personal possessions

Shipping for items such as heavy furniture or household goods, will not be paid for recipients moving out of province. Exceptions may include items that are necessary to help with a person's disability (i.e. motorized mobility device).

Costs for moving due to eviction

Individuals who are evicted due to their own actions are not eligible for assistance with moving costs. However, a crisis supplement may be considered.

How to apply

Get approved first!

*If you pay for costs of moving on your own before contacting the ministry, the ministry **will not reimburse** you for the moving costs as you will have shown you had the funds available to pay for the move.*

1. Contact the Ministry at 1-800-866- to let them know you are moving and the reasons for your move. You **must get approved** for the moving supplement before proceeding.
2. The Ministry will ask you to get a minimum of **two moving estimates** from licensed moving companies. (If you submit the cost of a rental truck, the moving supplement will cover the cost of the rental only and not cover cost of your labour or anyone who helps you.)
3. **Submit estimates to the ministry for approval.** Once approved, arrangements will be made to cover the approved costs and you can go ahead with your moving arrangements.