

IMPACTED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN? ASSISTANCE MAY BE AVAILABLE

If you are a Prince George's County resident directly impacted by the Federal Government Shutdown, contact the Prince George's County Department of Social Services (PGCDSS) to learn if you qualify for assistance. If you are a federal employee in the county experiencing loss of income due to the Federal Government Shutdown, contact PGCDSS to find out if you are eligible for assistance. PGCDSS is the county's primary human service provider, helping eligible Marylanders buy healthy foods, pay energy bills, and obtain medical assistance. PGCDSS also provides stable environments for at-risk children and vulnerable adults.

FOOD SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM

The Food Supplement Program helps low income people buy the food they need for good health. The amount of food supplement you are eligible for is based upon the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Thrifty Food Plan. Visit benefits.maryland.gov/home/#/ to apply.



EMERGENCY SERVICES

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Emergency Assistance Program provides resources to citizens with dependent children who are under 21 years of age, who face an immediate crisis and need help to resolve the situation. Emergency Assistance may cover but is not limited to, eviction notices, mortgage foreclosures, gas and electric turn-off notices, and delinquent water bills. Visit benefits.maryland.gov/home/#/ to apply.

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Emergency Food Assistance Program acts as a clearinghouse for the distribution of donated food. Over 30 local community pantries and shelters currently participate in the program. All food is provided to eligible individuals and families free of charge. Visit pgcfec.org/resources/find-food-food-pantry-listings/ for more information.



MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Medical Assistance Program helps individuals and families pay for medical care. Assistance can include payments for doctor's visits, exams, prescription costs, hospital bills, payment of Medicare premiums, etc. Visit benefits.maryland.gov/home/#/ to apply.



BURIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The PGCDSS Burial Assistance program helps to offset burial expenses for low-income families. Visit benefits.maryland.gov/home/#/ to apply.



ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Energy Assistance unit provides bill assistance to eligible households to help with the prevention of loss and the restoration of home energy service. To determine if you are eligible, go to dhs.maryland.gov/office-of-home-energy-programs/. When calculating your income for the purposes of this program, please use the gross income received in your household by all members in the 30 day period immediately preceding.

CRISIS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Crisis Assistance unit provides housing stabilization assistance to help residents avoid evictions, foreclosures and other housing related crises. To determine if you are eligible, call 211 for a telephonic screening.



TEMPORARY DISABILITY PROGRAM

The PCGDSS Temporary Disability Assistance (TDAP) provides limited cash assistance to low-income disabled individuals without dependent children and who have no other resources. Visit benefits.maryland.gov/home/#/ to apply.

TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



The PGCDSS Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) program provides cash assistance to needy families with dependent children when available resources do not fully address the family's needs, and while preparing program participants for independence through work. Applicants must interview face-to-face and all financial and technical eligibility factors must be met prior to issuance of benefits. Visit benefits.maryland.gov/home/#/ to apply.

