## DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

# **Minnesota Supplemental Aid**

Minnesota Supplemental Aid is an income supplement for people who receive federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, or who would be receiving SSI if their income was not above the SSI limit. In 2022, approximately 31,000 Minnesotans received Minnesota Supplemental Aid each month.

#### Eligibility

To be eligible for Minnesota Supplemental Aid, individuals must:

- Be over age 65, blind or disabled
- Be receiving SSI, or would be eligible for SSI except for excess income
- Verify income and assets. Non-SSI recipients can have up to \$10,000 in assets.

#### **Benefits**

- The typical monthly Minnesota Supplemental Aid benefit is \$81 for an individual and \$111 for a couple.
- The monthly benefit may be less if an individual or couple shares a household with others.
- The monthly benefit may be more if applicants are eligible for special needs payments. Special needs payments can be authorized for medically prescribed diets, guardian or conservator fees, some home repairs or replacement of household furniture and appliances, and some high housing costs.

### Minnesota Supplemental Aid Housing Assistance

For qualified recipients, Minnesota Supplemental Aid Housing Assistance adds \$420.50 to the monthly Minnesota Supplemental Aid benefit to help pay for high housing costs.

#### Eligibility

To be eligible for Minnesota Supplemental Aid Housing Assistance, applicants must:

- Be eligible for Minnesota Supplemental Aid
- Be under age 65 at the time of application
- Have total housing costs that are in excess of 40% of their total income
- Be relocating from an institution, eligible for Medical Assistance personal care attendant services, receiving waivered services and living in their own place, or transitioning from the Housing Support program.



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