

Benefit:	Also Known As:	Approval Time Limit:
Cash Assistance	Family Independence Program (FIP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	45 days

About:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients are issued a Michigan Bridge Card to purchase certain food products and access cash benefits at a number of retailers and ATMs throughout the state. • Max. # of months an adult recipient can receive cash assistance under FIP = 60 months • Recipients required to participate in PATH program
Eligibility:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 1 adult and one child in the household <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Child must be under the age of 18 years ◦ If child is 18 years old and attending high school • Pregnant women • Parents of a child in foster care who is expected to return home within one year

Benefit:	Also Known As:	Approval Time Limit:
Food Assistance Program (FAP)	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Bridge card, Food Stamps, EBT	30 days (7 days for expedited)

About:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients are issued a Michigan Bridge Card to purchase certain food products and access cash benefits at a number of retailers and ATMs throughout the state. • Recipients who are able-bodied and without dependents are required to follow work rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Recipients are expected to work at least 20 hours/week (includes approved work/training program, self-employment, and community service) ◦ Can only receive FAP for 3 months over a 36-month span if work requirements not met ◦ Work rules are exempt for the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Age 60+ years ▪ Caring for child younger than 6 years old ▪ Work deferral ▪ “Good cause”
Eligibility:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income up to 200% of federal poverty level • Eligibility for FAP is based on your household size and monthly income. In some cases, your household assets also matter. All members of your household who buy and prepare food together are counted. Children younger than 22 who live at home will be part of their parents’ FAP household. • Citizenship Status: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ U.S. Citizens ◦ Non-citizen children with permanent residency status (green card) or VAWA ◦ Non-citizen adults with permanent residency status (green card) or VAWA for 5+ years ◦ Asylees and refugees

Benefit:	How to Enroll:
<h1>Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)</h1>	<p>Schedule an appointment with your local WIC Office</p> <p>Oakland County WIC Office: 248-858-1272</p>

About:	<p>Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is a federally-funded Special Supplemental Nutrition Program of the Food and Nutrition Service of the United States Department of Agriculture and is administered by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, serving low and moderate income pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women, infants, and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk.</p> <p>WIC is a health and nutrition program that has demonstrated a positive effect on pregnancy outcomes, child growth and development. The program provides a combination of nutrition education, supplemental foods, breastfeeding promotion and support, and referrals to health care. Participants exchange WIC food benefits at approved retail grocery stores and pharmacies. WIC foods are selected to meet nutrient needs such as calcium, iron, folic acid, vitamins A & C.</p>
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Eligibility:	<p>WIC is available to the following individuals who meet income eligibility, or are enrolled in Medicaid and/or SNAP/EBT.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pregnant women • Infants • Children until age 5 • Women who recently had a baby (up to 6 months after delivery, including miscarriages) • Breastfeeding women (up to 1 year after delivery) <p>We welcome fathers, foster parents, and legal guardians to apply for WIC services for an infant or child.</p>
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Documentation for Appointment:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of income for everyone in your household (most recent check stub, W-2 form, statements from unemployment, social security, disability, child support, etc.) • Medicaid or Food Stamp card • Proof of identity for everyone on the WIC program (drivers license, state issued ID, social security card, birth certificate, crib card, hospital discharge papers, etc.) • Proof of address (drivers license, recent utility bill, lease or rent agreement, etc.) • Official guardianship or foster placement papers • Proof of pregnancy (pregnant women) • Immunization record (for children)
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Cash Assistance Special Program:	Disability Assistance (SDA)	Approval Time Limit:
		60 days
About:	State Disability Assistance (SDA) provides cash assistance to eligible disabled adults. If you are the caretaker of a disabled person or are age 65 or older, you may be eligible for SDA.	
Eligibility Requirements		Documentation Needed
<p><u>Disability Determination:</u> You are considered disabled for SDA purposes if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive disability-related benefits (such as medicaid based on disability or blindness) • Reside in a special facility (such as a licensed Adult Foster Care Home); or • Obtain certification by MDHHS medical consultants as unable to work due to a mental or physical disability for at least 90 days. <p><u>Asset Limits:</u> Cash asset limit is \$15,000. Assets are cash or any property you own. Assets include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cash on hand • Bank and credit union accounts • Investments • Retirement plans • Trusts • Property or real estate (asset limit is \$200,000) <p><u>Income Limits:</u> Income is considered to determine the amount of SDA you're eligible to receive. Examples of countable income are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wages • Self-employment earnings • Rental income • Social Security benefits • Veterans benefits <p><u>Residency Requirements:</u> The following residency requirements apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a U.S. citizen (or acceptable alien status). • Must live in Michigan. • Must not be receiving cash from any other state. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification • Social Security Number • Income (current or date it stopped) • Application or receipt of unemployment compensation benefits (UCB) • Assets (bank account statements, 401(k) and other investment account balances, investment accounts, trust funds, etc.) • Shelter expenses (rent receipt, mortgage payment, property tax bill, homeowner insurance, heat, electric, phone, water, etc.) • Child support paid • Day care expenses • Medical or health insurance card • Medical bills, unpaid • Shut Off notices for shelter, heat or utilities • Alien/Immigration status • Marriage certificate • Divorce decree • Paternity acknowledgement • Pregnancy, expected date of delivery and number of children expected

Cash Assistance Special Program:	Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA)	Approval Time Limit:
		30 days

About:	The Refugee Assistance Program is a federally funded program which helps persons admitted into the U.S. as refugees to become self-sufficient after their arrival. Temporary refugee cash assistance and refugee medical assistance is available to eligible refugees who do not qualify for cash assistance (through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program), Supplemental Security Income or Medicaid.
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Eligibility Requirements

Eligibility for refugee cash and medical assistance is available for **up to eight months after entry into the U.S.**, or date asylum was granted, if you have one of the following immigration statuses:

- Refugee or Asylee
- Cuban/Haitian entrant
- Amerasian
- Parolee
- Victim of trafficking
- Iraqi or Afghan Special Immigrant VISA (SIV) holders
- U-Visa holders

Asset Limit:
 Cash asset limit for Refugee Cash Assistance = \$15,000
 Cash asset limit for Refugee Medical Assistance = \$3,000
 Assets are cash or any property you own and include:

- Cash on hand
- Bank and credit union accounts
- Investments
- Retirement plans
- Trusts
- Property or real estate (asset limit is \$200,000)

Income Limit:
 Income is considered when determining the amount of assistance you are eligible for.
 Examples of countable income are:

- Wages
- Self-employment earnings
- Rental income
- Child support
- Social Security benefits
- Veterans benefits

Assets such as your vehicles and personal belongings are not counted.

Residency Requirements:

- Must live in Michigan
- Must not be receiving cash assistance from any other state.

Benefit:	Approval Time Limit:
State Emergency Relief (SER)	10 days

About:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immediate help may be available if you are facing conditions of extreme hardship or emergencies threatening your health and safety. State Emergency Relief and the Weatherization Assistance Program combine financial assistance and contracts with a network of nonprofit organizations to help low-income households. • Emergency support is designed to maintain low-income households that are normally able to make ends meet but occasionally need help when unexpected emergency situations arise. Emergency support is not an appropriate solution to ongoing or chronic financial difficulties. For ongoing reductions to your energy expenses, be sure to check out the Weatherization Assistance Program.
Eligibility:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility is based on the number of individuals in your household, your monthly income and your countable cash assets over \$15,000 (except for those applying for burial services). • Some assets such as homestead, one vehicle, personal and household goods are excluded.

Energy-Related Assistance	
<i>If your income exceeds the monthly income limit listed below, you do not qualify for energy-related assistance.</i>	
# Individuals in Household:	Monthly Income:
1	\$1,956
2	\$2,644
3	\$3,331
4	\$4,019
5	\$4706
6	\$5394
7	\$6081
8	\$6769
More than 8	Add \$688 for each additional family member

Non-Energy-Related Assistance	
<i>If your income exceeds the monthly income limit listed below, the excess amount becomes your copayment and your responsibility.</i>	
<i>Non-Cash Asset Limit = \$15,000</i>	
# Individuals in Household:	Monthly Income:
1	\$445
2	\$500
3	\$625
4	\$755
5	\$885
6	\$1,105