

BY-LAW No. 1054

A By-law of The Rural Municipality of Morris, providing authority for the municipality to furnish indigent relief to persons who are in need and not eligible to receive social allowance under the Social Allowance Act.

WHEREAS The Social Allowance Act, being chapter 57 of the Statutes of Manitoba, 1959 (Second Session) with amendments provides authority for a municipality to furnish indigent relief to persons who are in need and not eligible to receive social allowances under the Act;

AND WHEREAS section 11A of The Social Allowances Act requires a municipality to pass a by-law in accordance with the requirements of sec. 11 of the said Act in order to qualify for payments by the Province of Manitoba to the municipality respecting relief and assistance to indigent persons;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the best interests of The RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS to provide indigent relief as aforesaid in accordance with reasonable standards of basic necessity;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to authorize certain officers of the municipality to grant assistance to indigent persons by providing essential supplies, services and care in accordance with standards hereinafter prescribes;

BE IT THEREFORE enacted as a By-law of the Rural Municipality of Morris:

1. Definitions: Whenever used in this by-law, unless the context otherwise requires

(a) INDIGENT PERSON- means a person who resides or is found in a municipality who is not in receipt of social allowance under the Social Allowances Act and who is in need of aid or assistance in order to obtain essential supplies, services and care within the meaning of The Social Allowances Act;

(b) AID or ASSISTANCE- means assistance granted in respect of services and care in accordance with the standards set out in SCHEDULE "A" to this by-law;

(c) COUNCIL- means The Council of the Rural Municipality of Morris;

(d) AUTHORIZED OFFICER- means that person designated by resolution of council to administer aid and assistance under this by-law.

2. An indigent person who applies to the authorized officer may be furnished with aid or assistance in accordance with the standards provided in Schedule "A" to this by-law.

3. An indigent person who applies for and who is refused aid or assistance, or whose aid or assistance is terminated, or disputes the amount of aid or assistance paid, may appeal to the Appeal Board as provided in The Social Allowance Act.

(4) The RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS undertakes to pay and shall pay to the Government of Manitoba

(a) twenty per centum (20%) of those allowances for aid and assistance to which the Provincial Treasurer contributes under subsection (7) of Section 11 of The Social Allowances Act for those persons who are legal residents of The Rural Municipality of Morris; and

(b) twenty per centum (20%) of those allowances for aid and assistance as the Government of the Province of Manitoba pays under subsection (2) of section 10 of the Social Allowances Act for persons who are legal residents of The Rural Municipality of Morris.

DONE AND PASSED this 8th day of FEBRUARY, A.D. 1974 by The RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS in Council assembled in the Town of Morris, Manitoba.

Reeve

Secretary-Treasurer

SCHEDULE "A" to By-Law No. 1054

1. For the purposes of this by-law the basic necessities and the costs of the basic necessities are as follows:

(a) FOOD

Each person over 19 years of age -----	\$33.50 per month
" " 15 to 19 years of age -----	\$38.70 " "
" " 12 to 14 years of age -----	\$34.80 " "
" " 7 to 11 years of age -----	\$28.40 " "
" " 4 to 6 years of age -----	\$23.20 " "
" " from birth to 3 years of age -----	\$20.70 " "

NOTE: Where the household unit consists of three or less beneficiaries, the following additions shall be made:

For a single person -----	\$ 6.50 per month
For each of two persons -----	\$ 3.80 " "
For each of three persons -----	\$ 1.30 " "

Where the household unit consists of more than five beneficiaries, the following deductions shall be made:

For each person over five -----	\$ 2.40 per month.
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(b) CLOTHING

Each Adult 20 to 64 years -----	\$11.50 per month
Each person 15 to 19 years -----	\$14.50 " "
Each child 12 to 14 years -----	\$11.00 " "
Each child 7 to 11 years -----	\$ 8.00 " "
Each child from birth to 6 years -----	\$ 6.50 " "

NOTE:- Each child not living with his own family- the actual cost as required and authorized by the authorized officer.

(c) SHELTER

1. For a single person living alone, the actual rent up to \$40.00 per month
2. For two adults living together, rent up to \$60.00 " "
3. For a family of one or two adults and one or more children, the actual rent up to \$80.00 " "

NOTE Where actual rent exceeds the above maximum, additional grants may be as follows:-

1. Actual rent in housing in respect of which a license has been issued under The Elderly and Infirm Persons' Housing Act.

2. Up to \$10.00 where fuel and/or utilities is included in the rent, and / or,

up to \$10.00 where special size or type of accomodation is required, e.g. family of over 4 members, or disabled person whose disability requires a special type of accommodation, and / or

up to \$10.00 for families and single persons, and up to \$20.00 for two adults living together, provided that, in the opinion of the authorized officer the accommodation is socially adequate.

(d) Utilities, Water, Light, Cooking Fuel and Water Heating for for each single person or family if utilities are not included in the rent, the estimated cost up to a maximum of \$10.00 per month. Where actual cost exceeds the maximum, due to special circumstances, an additional amount up to \$10.00 per month may be granted.

(e) FUEL- The estimated cost for the months of October to May inclusive, as that cost is based on the previous year's expenditures up to the following maximums:

1. For each single person living alone in unheated rooms
or a house .. \$20.00 month
2. For each Family in unheated rooms ----- \$20.00 per month
" " in an unheated house----- \$35.00 " "

NOTE: Where actual cost exceeds the maximum, due to special circumstances, an additional grant up to \$60.00 may be made at the end of the winter fuel season.

(f) Household and Personal Needs:

For each single person living alone -----\$13.50 per mo.

For each single person living with relatives or in an institution and authorized by the authorized agent --- \$ 8.00 " "

For each Family with one adult recipient ----- \$13.50 " "

For each Family with two or more adult recipients ---- \$20.00 " "

Household Supplies: For each household unit --- ----- \$ 3.00 " "

For each person in a household unit after the first-- \$ 1.00 " "

(g) SPECIAL NEEDS:

Up to \$200.00 per household in any fiscal year.

(h) Food and Shelter away from home:

Board & Room in home of relative (single person) ---- \$65.00 per Mo.

(Couple) ----- \$120.00 " "

In Private boarding home (single person)----- \$75.00 " "

(Couple) ----- \$140.00 " "

(j) Health Care

1. Essential medical and surgical care.
2. Essential optical supplies including eye glasses.
3. Essential dental care including dentures.
4. Essential drugs as may be prescribed by a duly qualified medical practitioner.
5. Such chiropractic treatment as the authorized officer may authorize.
6. Other remedial care, treatment and attention including physiotherapy as may be prescribed by a duly qualified medical practitioner.
7. Emergency transportation and other expenses as may be authorized by the authorized officer which in his opinion are necessary to provide the care, treatment or attention required.

(k) Funeral Costs:

For burial, the maximum fee to the undertaker shall be \$175.00. Plus the cost of grave and plot.

2. (1) The following may be excluded from calculation of the financial resources of the applicant or recipient:
 - a. Family allowances.
 - b. Casual gifts of small value.
 - c. Contributions other than ordinary maintenance to a recipient or dependents who require special care.
 - d. Cash surrender value of Life Insurance policy up to a maximum value of \$2,000.00.
 - e. Equity in the home in which the applicant resides.
 - f. Basic stock herd on a farm up to a maximum value of \$2,000.
 - g. Seed for next year's crop.
 - h. Essential equipment to carry on farming or business operations.
 - i. Liquid assets under \$200.00 per recipient up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 per family.
 - j. Earned income up to \$20.00 per month or, at the discretion of the authorized officer \$240.00 in any one fiscal year, for an earning recipient.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) all assets on hand at the death of an applicant or recipient may be considered available for funeral expenses.
- (3) An applicant for assistance under By-Law No. 1054 shall make written application in such form as the authorized officer prescribes.
- (4) The applicant shall provide such information and evidence in support of his application as may be required by the authorized officer to determine his eligibility for an allowance under By-Law 1054.
- (5) Where the municipality has reason to believe that an additional amount is warranted, The Rural Municipality of Mooris may grant additional amount in excess of the amount listed in the schedule.