

Department of Public Social Services

Self-Sufficiency Division

The General Assistance (GA) program is a County funded cash assistance program that provides support and relief to adults without minor children, who are indigent and unemployed or incapacitated by age, disease, or accident and are not supported by relatives or friends, their own means, state hospitals, or other state or private institutions. GA is intended to provide short-term assistance for basic needs including food, housing/utilities and personal needs.

Eligibility to GA includes, but is not limited to:

1. Being a resident of Riverside County.
2. Being either a United States (U.S.) citizen or a qualified non-citizen.
3. Applying for and being willing to take any form of support or help reasonably available to you.
4. Being below the income and property limits set by Riverside County:
 - Income limit for one (1) person is \$326; two (2) persons is \$436
 - Total combined property cannot exceed \$500
5. Complying with the work participation requirements if you are not otherwise exempt. If exempt due to a disability, verification of the disability is required.

Eligibility to GA is limited to 90 days in a 12-month period for employable adults.

You may apply for GA in person at one of the office locations.