

What is the Capital Township General Assistance Office?

Capital Township has three distinct duties. Assess property, collect property taxes and provide General Assistance for Capital Township residents. The primary function of our office is to provide certain types of aid for the residents of Capital Township, who are legal residents of the United States. Our office is governed by an elected Board of Trustee's. All policies, procedures, budgets and grants are established and regulated by the Capital Township Board of Trustees. Capital Township also has an intergovernmental agreement with the Townships of Chatham, Williams, New Berlin, Cooper, Loami and Divernon to provide General Assistance to its residents. Each Township has designed a assistance program within the budget and needs of their Township.

Any questions about these programs can be addressed and answered by our staff in person or over the phone. Contact us anytime during our business hours. Mon– Fri 8:30-4:30 217-525-1736 or 901 S. 11th Street. Corner of Cass & 11th Street.



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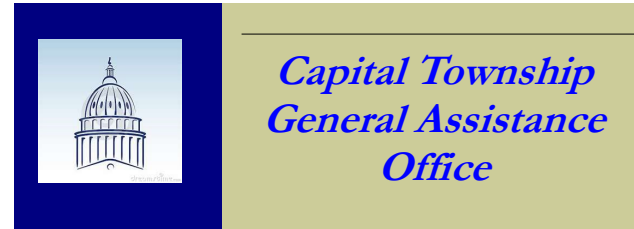
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Assistance Programs

Emergency Assistance

Transitional Assistance

Workfare Program



Township government, established in Providence, Rhode Island in 1636, is the oldest existing unit of government continuing to serve on the North American continent. Township government was in existence for 140 years prior to the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. The wording of the Declaration of Independence reflects the fact that 38 of its 56 signers had experienced the benefits of township government.

Emergency Assistance

Emergency Assistance is available for qualified Capital Township residents for the following categories:

Rent

>To prevent eviction (or)

>To prevent homelessness
for shelter residents

Utilities

>To prevent disconnection (or)

>To reconnect service

Employment Transportation >SMTD bus pass

We also assist with:

Other seasonal or weather related emergencies as needed, when funds are available.



Transitional Assistance

This program is available for Capital Township residents that are considered “not employable” If found eligible you can receive \$350.00 per month in financial assistance.

Needed to apply:

- Physician statement - Your physician must state in this statement you are not able to work, why you are unable to work, estimate of how long you will be unable too, how long he has been treating you for this medical condition and all the medications they prescribe for you.
- A print-out from your Pharmacy listing all the prescriptions you have had filled in the past 2 months.

In lieu of the above, if you have been found DISABLED by the Dept. of Human Services and can provide a Client Assessment Unit decision showing this, along with proof of a pending application for SSI/SSD this would be sufficient to apply.

Time limitations apply , talk with your caseworker about this and program guidelines.

Workfare Program

This program was established to provide temporary employment to jobless adults (18-62). The participant can not have any type of income or children in their home. The Workfare participant is placed with a Workfare employer that can provide them with 70 hours of work a month. They will be paid at the current minimum wage for these hours worked. During this time the participant will gain valuable work experience while earning a pay check. Capital Township works with many employers and tries to match participants based on their job skills and interests. Assistance with transportation to and from the job site is also available to the participant. There is no direct cost to the employer to host a participant. Maximum length on the Workfare program is nine months. For more information on how to become a Workfare participant or an Workfare employer contact our office.

