

District of Columbia

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration and District of Columbia Department of Human Services, Income Maintenance Administration.

Effective date: January 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: District of Columbia Laws 2-35, as amended, and 3-23.

Funding

Administration: District of Columbia funds.

Assistance: District of Columbia funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining total expenditures.

Place of application: District of Columbia Department of Human Services, Department of Mental Health, and licensed service providers. The Central Referral Bureau reviews the applications for payment eligibility and then submits the approved applications to the Social Security Administration field offices for payment.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to persons residing in adult foster care homes who are eligible for SSI payments or would be eligible except for income. No statutory minimum age requirements for receiving adult foster care supplementation, but children receive assistance through child welfare services provisions.

Resource limitations: Federal SSI regulations apply.

Income exclusions: Federal SSI regulations apply.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: Only in cases in which liens were assigned prior to the establishment of the SSI program.

Financial responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: District participates.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels, January 2005 (in dollars)

Living arrangement	State code	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
		Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Adult foster care home (50 beds or less)	A	926.00	1,852.00	347.00	983.00
Adult foster care home (over 50 beds)	B	1,036.00	2,072.00	457.00	1,203.00
Medicaid facility	G	70.00	140.00	40.00	80.00

DEFINITIONS:

A and B: Adult foster care home. Includes recipients who are certified by the District of Columbia Department of Health or the Commission on Mental Health Services as residents of an adult foster care home.

G: Medicaid facility. Includes recipients residing in a federal Code D living arrangement.

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2005

Living arrangement	State code	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	
					Adults	Children
All recipients		1,587	155	12	1,328	^a 92
Adult foster care home (50 beds or less)	A	747	77	1	658	11
Adult foster care home (over 50 beds)	B	13	4	1	7	1
Medicaid facility	G	827	74	10	663	80

a. Benefits received under the child welfare services program.

State Assistance for Special Needs

District does not provide assistance for special needs.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

District provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.