



Monroe County Commission on Aging

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In-Home Services: Unmet Needs

Service Name: Unmet Needs Direct Assistance

Service Definition: Provision of direct cash assistance to individuals to maintain their independence at home.

Unit of Service: One item of Assistance

Contract Type: Fee-for-Service

Minimum Requirements:

1. Programs administering these dollars must adhere to the means test or eligibility guidelines set forth by the Commission.
2. The Commission on Aging Director must authorize purchases over \$100.
3. Equipment that is purchased for a senior citizen over \$150 should be returned to the program for reuse with another senior. Items that can be returned and reused can be but are not limited to: Wheelchairs, scales, walkers, lift chairs, hospital beds.
4. Programs administering assistance dollars should make every attempt to inform individuals receiving large purchase items of the return expectation.
5. Programs should make every attempt to have the individual contribute to an item if they are able.

6. Unmet Needs Assistance is limited to \$750 annually per household. Clients receiving assistance from both the Fuel Assistance and Unmet Needs programs can be served annually out of both programs up to a \$1,500 maximum per household.
7. Programs must service the Monroe County area.
8. Programs must serve residents age 60 and older.