Bingham County
Non-Medical Assistance

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Bingham County Indigent Services
Powers and Duties of the Board of County Commissioners

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- Provide temporary assistance when no other alternative exists.

- Assistance is not to be provided on a continuous basis.

- Board of Commissioners can:
  - Adopt resolutions to promulgate policies and procedures.
  - Negotiate payment to providers.
  - Contract for non-medical services.
These definitions are utilized for **non-medical** applications and processes.

(1) “Adult Household Member” - any individual eighteen years of age and over who resides in the household.

(2) “Anticipated Future Income” - a reasonable expectation of income to the household based on an analysis of past income, future income, current income, experience, skills, education, inheritance and possible assets from any source.

(3) “Applicant” - the individual and all others in the household who are requesting non-medical assistance and who submit a county application.
Definitions
§31-3403 (1)-(18)

(4) “Assets”- property rights including, but not limited to, personal, real, tangible and intangible property.

(5) “Authorized Representative”- the applicant’s guardian or appointed attorney-in-fact.

(6) “Board”- a board of county commissioners.

(7) “Clerk”- the clerk of the board of county commissioners or his designee.

(8) “Emergency”- any circumstances demanding immediate action.

(9) “Household”- a collective body of persons consisting of spouses or parents and their children who reside in the same residence; or all other persons who by choice or necessity are mutually dependent upon each other for basic necessities and who reside in the same residence.
(10) “Indigent”- any applicant who does not have resources available from whatever source which shall be sufficient to enable the applicant to provide non-medical assistance or a portion thereof.


(12) “Investigation”- a detailed examination of the application and information required from the applicant and others to verify eligibility.

(13) “Nonmedical Assistance”- reasonable costs for assistance, which includes food, shelter and provision of public defender services, and other such necessary services determined by the board by resolution.

(14) “Obligated County for Payment”- the county wherein residency has been established.
Definitions
§31-3403 (1)-(18)

(15) “Recipient”- the individual(s) determined eligible for county assistance.

(16) “Repayment”- the authority of the board of county commissioners to require indigent person(s) to repay the county for assistance when investigation of their application determines their ability to do so.

(17) “Resident”- a person with a home, house, place of abode, place of habitation, dwelling or place where one actually lived for a consecutive period of thirty (30) days or more prior to the date of application.

(18) “Resource”- assets, whether tangible or intangible, real or personal, liquid or nonliquid, including, but not limited to, crime victims compensation, worker’s compensation, veteran’s benefits, Medicaid, Medicare and any other property form any source for which an applicant and/or obligated person may be eligible or in which he or she may have an interest.
Definitions
§31-3403 (1)-(18)

(18 continued) For purposes of determining approval for nonmedical indigency only, resources shall not include the value of the homestead of the applicant or obligated person’s residence, a burial plot, exemptions for personal property allowed in section 11-605(1) through (3), Idaho Code, and additional exemptions allowed by county resolution.
Application for non-medical assistance must be:

1. On a form provided by the county.
2. Shall be provided to any individual requesting county assistance.
3. Must be filed with the clerk of the BOCC.
4. Shall be signed by the applicant, or his authorized representative.
5. Must contain all household resources.
An interview is required within ten (10) working days of the application.

An applicant, or authorized representative, is required to provide evidence of need.

Failure by the applicant to interview and supply supporting documentation shall result in a denial.
Questions?!