

Create-A-Budget

What should I consider when making a budget?

What public assistance programs are available?

Start Here!

Questions to Consider

- Is the area you chose a good environment for those with low income?
- What local services does the community provide to low-income individuals?
- Does the selected location have public transportation services?
- Will public transportation get the individual to or close to their place of employment?
- Is their apartment or **rental in a practical and accessible location?**
- How will their children get to and from school?
- Does the individual qualify for additional services?
- Does the location have high or low utility rates?
- Are utilities (gas, electric, trash, water, etc.) covered in rent?
- What other necessities may need to be purchased besides food, rent and utilities?
- Do they need insurance of any type?
- What would happen if an emergency occurred?

Choose
your
location
wisely!



Have you covered housing, food, child care, insurance, utilities, cable/telephone, & transportation?



Eligibility requirements for public assistance vary from state to state. Be sure to check qualifications for your location.



Check out <http://www.fns.usda.gov/> for info on WIC and SNAP.

Does your client qualify for Public Assistance?

| Possibilities | Yes | No |
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| SNAP | | |
| Subsidized Housing | | |
| WIC | | |
| Medicaid or Affordable Care Act | | |