## Newfoundland Resettlement Assistance Program (RAP) Rates

Monthly income support is intended to cover basic needs such as food, incidentals, shelter, transportation and a communication allowance. Other special allowances may be added based on need.

Household composition	Basic needs allowance	Shelter allowance	Communication allowance
Single adult	\$534	\$149	\$30/file
Single adult with children	\$694	\$372	\$30/file
Couple	\$756	\$372	\$30/file
Couple with children	\$742	\$372	\$30/file
Family of 2 +	\$742	\$372	\$30/file
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**Housing Supplement: up to a maximum of \$200,** may be issued when actual housing expenses exceed the basic shelter allowance. If the RAP file is still open at time of receipt (no retroactive payments will be made). In order to be considered for this allowance, refugees must submit to IRCC documentation, such as a lease agreement, indicating that their total housing costs (including utilities) exceed the maximum shelter allowances issued under RAP.

Fuel supplement will be given for an applicant or recipient maintaining a residence on the island portion of the province, up to a maximum of \$71, where the cost of heat is not included in the amount of rent.

**Age of Majority top up:** for dependants turning **18** in provinces where the age of majority is **19**. A living allowance supplement can be issue for **\$150** plus the cost of transportation allowance based on the current cost of monthly public transportation in their community of residence

Transportation rate				
St. John's	http://www.metrobus.com/fares.asp			

Transportation allowance is provided to each adult including seniors as per the rate of public transit for adults and seniors in their community, or a minimum of \$75/month, whichever is greater.\* For rates, consult the link above.Note: in communities where there is no public transit, a flat transportation rate of \$75 is issued.

Special allowances				
Allowance	Frequency	Rate		
Maternity Food	Monthly	\$75		
Maternity Clothing	One-time	\$200		
Newborn Allowance	One-Time	\$750		
Dietary Allowance	Monthly	\$ 75		
Funeral/Burial Allowance		Costs are reviewed case by case based on provincial rates.		

**Note:** Refugees can request a special dietary allowance of \$75/month (per family) if they provide a doctor (or nurse practitioner's) note indicating they have a medical condition requiring a specialized diet. If the RAP file is still open at time of receipt (no retroactive payments will be made)

## Blended Visa Office-Referred Program (BVORs)

Refugees sponsored through the BVOR Program are eligible for the following income support benefits:

- Food and incidentals (basic needs),
- Basic shelter,
- Communication allowance
- Transportation allowance
- Age of Majority top up
- Fuel supplement ( if applicable)
- Housing Supplement ( if applicable)
- Maternity food allowance (if applicable)
- Special dietary allowance (if applicable)

The remaining costs, including start-up and additional special expenses as required, are covered by the sponsoring group.

<sup>\*</sup>The above rates are in effect as of November 01,2019.