

Ontario Resettlement Assistance Program (RAP) Rates
January 26, 2026

Family Size	Composition	Basic Needs Allowance	Shelter Allowance	Communication Allowance (per application)
1	Single adult	\$343	\$390	\$79.07
2	Couple	\$494	\$642	\$79.07
	Single parent plus one child	\$360	\$642	\$79.07
3	Single parent plus two children	\$360	\$697	\$79.07
	Couple plus one child	\$494	\$697	\$79.07
4	Single parent plus three children	\$360	\$756	\$79.07
	Couple plus two children	\$494	\$756	\$79.07
5	Single parent plus four children	\$360	\$815	\$79.07
	Couple plus three children	\$494	\$815	\$79.07
6 or more	Single parent plus five children	\$360	\$844	\$79.07
	Couple plus four children	\$494	\$844	\$79.07

Housing Supplement: Up to a maximum of \$500/month* may be issued when actual housing costs exceed the Shelter Allowance. *The Housing Supplement is to be calculated by subtracting the Shelter Allowance and 43% of the Canada Child Benefit (CCB) (where applicable) from actual housing costs.

Special Allowances		
Allowance	Frequency	Rate
Maternity Food	Monthly	\$87.77
Maternity Clothing	One-time	\$204.89
Newborn Allowance	One-Time	\$790.72
Dietary Allowance	Monthly	\$87.77
Funeral/Burial Allowance		Costs are reviewed case by case based on provincial rates.

Blended Visa Office-Referred (BVOR) Program
Refugees sponsored through the BVOR program are eligible for the following income support benefits from IRCC for six months:
• Basic Needs Allowance • Shelter Allowance and Housing Supplement • Communication Allowance • Transportation Allowance • Maternity Food Allowance (if applicable) • Special Dietary Allowance (if applicable)
The costs for the remaining six months, including Start-Up Costs and additional special expenses as required, are provided by the sponsoring group.

Transportation Rates	
Hamilton	https://www.hamilton.ca/home-neighbourhood/hsr/fares
Kingston	https://www.cityofkingston.ca/transit/fares-and-passes/
Kitchener	https://www.grt.ca/en/fares-passes/fares.aspx?_mid=29230
Leamington	https://www.leamington.ca/en/our-community/Bus_Pass_and_Fares.aspx
London	https://www.londontransit.ca/fares-and-passes/fares/
Mississauga	https://www.mississauga.ca/miway-transit/fares/fare-prices/
Ottawa	https://www.octranspo.com/en/fares/
Peterborough	https://www.peterborough.ca/en/city-services/passes-and-fares.aspx
Sault Ste Marie	https://saultstemarie.ca/Government/City-Departments/Community-Development-Enterprise-Services/Community-Services/Transit/Bus-Fares-and-Passes.aspx
Thunder bay	https://www.thunderbay.ca/en/city-services/fares-and-passes.aspx
Toronto	https://www.ttc.ca/Fares-and-passes
Windsor	https://www.citywindsor.ca/residents/transit-windsor/fares

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 \$83.71/month, whichever is greater. For rates, consult the links above.

Note: In communities where there is no public transit, a flat transportation rate of **\$83.71/month** is issued.

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The transportation allowance for the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA), which includes Toronto, Hamilton, Regions of Halton, Regions of Peel, Regions of York, and Regions of Durham, will be aligned with the highest monthly fare within the GTHA catchment area to support client access to the full network of transit systems serving their area.

In Ontario, any client aged **65 or older** will receive senior rates for the Basic Needs Allowance and Shelter Allowance. For rates, consult the tables below.

Note: For Special Allowances and Transportation rates consult the tables above.

Basic Needs Allowance			
Single Senior	Single Senior with Dependants	Couple (1 Senior) with or without Dependants	Couple (2 Seniors) with or without Dependants
\$786	\$786	\$1,134	\$1,569

Family Size	Shelter Allowance	Communication Allowance (per Application)
1	\$582	\$79.07
2	\$915	\$79.07
3	\$990	\$79.07
4	\$1,074	\$79.07
5	\$1,159	\$79.07
6+	\$1,201	\$79.07
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