Nova Scotia Resettlement Assistance Program (RAP) Rates
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Family Size	Composition	Basic Needs Allowance	Shelter Allowance	Communication Allowance (per Application)
1	Single adult	$457.38	$268.62	$79.07
1	Single senior	$633.15	$371.85	$79.07
2	Couple	$893.97	$525.03	$79.07
	Single adult and one child	$641.34	$376.66	$79.07
3	Couple and one or more children	$927.99	$545.01	$79.07
	Single adult and two or more children	$675.36	$396.64	$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.				

Transportation Rates	
Halifax	https://www.halifax.ca/transportation/halifax-transit/fares-tickets-passes
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 $85.05/month, whichever is greater. For rates, consult the links above. **Note:** In communities where there is no public transit, a flat transportation rate of **$85.05/month** is issued.	

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.

Special Allowances		
Allowance	**Frequency**	**Rate**
Maternity Food	Monthly	$90.15
Maternity Clothing	One-time	$204.89
Newborn Allowance	One-Time	$790.72
Dietary Allowance	Monthly	$90.15
Funeral/Burial Allowance		Costs are reviewed case by case based on provincial rates.