Start-Up Costs for All Provinces (excluding Quebec)
January 01, 2027

Note: For BVOR and PSR refugees, Start-Up Costs are provided by the sponsor.

Family Size	Composition	Staple Allowance	Basic Clothing Allowance	Winter Clothing Allowance	Basic Household Needs	Furniture Allowance	Linens ($84.34 per person)	Utility Installation (per Application)
1	Single adult without accompanying dependants	$252.40	$384.17	$179.28	$632.57	$1,634.15	$84.34	$86.44
2	Single plus one dependant	$360.57	$640.28	$307.34	$685.29	$2,076.95	$168.68	$86.44
	Couple without accompanying dependants	$360.57	$768.34	$358.56	$685.29	$2,403.77	$168.68	$86.44
3	Single plus two dependants	$468.74	$896.39	$435.40	$738.01	$2,519.75	$253.02	$86.44
	Couple plus one dependant	$468.74	$1,024.45	$486.62	$738.01	$2,846.57	$253.02	$86.44
4	Couple plus two dependants	$576.91	$1,280.56	$614.68	$790.73	$3,289.37	$337.36	$86.44
5	Couple plus three dependants	$685.08	$1,536.67	$742.74	$843.45	$3,732.17	$421.70	$86.44
6	Couple plus four dependants	$793.25	$1,792.78	$870.80	$896.17	$4174.97	$506.04	$86.44
	Each additional dependant	$108.17	$256.11 per child under 18 years	$128.06 per child under 18 years	$52.72	$442.80	$84.34	N/A

Staple Allowance: Is provided to set up a household with basic food pantry items and cleaning supplies.

Basic Household Needs Allowance: For window coverings, common household products such as kitchen utensils, pots, pans, dishes, cutlery, brooms, mops etc., and other furniture items such as lamps, coffee tables etc.

Furniture Allowance: Provided for beds, dressers, sofa, loveseats, and dinette sets, table and chairs etc.

Clothing Allowance: Provided for initial and regular clothing needs.

Winter Clothing Allowance: Intended for winter clothing, such as jackets, parkas, boots, socks, scarves, hats and gloves etc. PSR and BVOR refugees do not typically receive winter clothing on arrival in Canada at the Port of Entry (POE), therefore, sponsors should provide this allowance for winter clothing.

Utility Installation Allowance: One-time allowance per household to cover the costs of utility (i.e., water, gas, electricity) and internet and telephone connection fees and installation.

Linens Allowance: Intended for bed linens, including sheet set and blankets, and towels.

School Start-Up Allowance: $161.58 per child aged between 4 – 17 for the cost of school supplies, gym clothing etc. Families who arrive between September 01 and May 31 are eligible to receive the entitlement twice (for each new academic year). Young adults between the ages of 18-21 who can demonstrate that they are enrolled in secondary school full time may also qualify for this allowance. This allowance does not apply to those only enrolled in the Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC) or English as a Second Language (ESL) related classes.