



Who We Are

About Us

Social Development

The Social Development Department is committed to developing, managing, and delivering supportive programs that enhance our community. We are committed to providing services, such as income support, skill development, and learning resources to help our communities thrive.

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What is the BSDW responsible for?

- Speaking with the next of kin/legal representative of deceased.
- Reviewing the SA 108 form for accuracy
- Authorize eligible expenditure items listed on SA 108 form.
- Complete *Budget and Decision Form* (901-25)
- Initiating cost recovery procedures (where applicable)
- Prepare financial payment to funeral services provider.

What is the Funeral Service Provider Responsible for?

- Completing the *Funeral Services Billing (SA 108 Form)* and submitting it to the Administering Authority.

For Individuals who died in BC resided off-reserve and the location of the funeral/burial is on-reserve. Cost sharing between MSDPR (60%) and ISC (40%)

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Contact for MSDPR

Phone: 1-866-866-0800

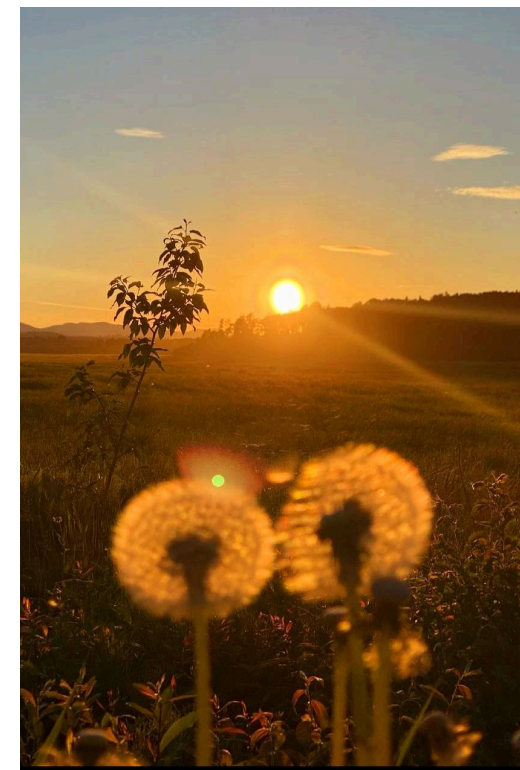
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Fax: 1-855-771-8736

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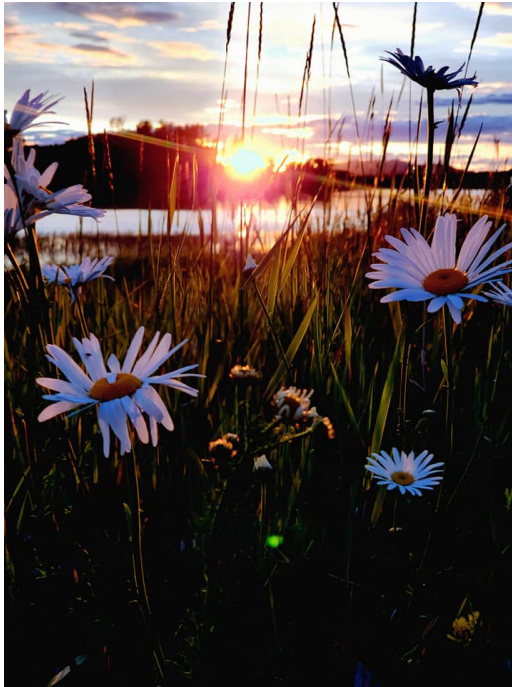


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Funeral Supplement Information



What is Funeral Supplement?

A supplement may be provided to pay “necessary funeral costs” of any person who dies in BC if the estate of the deceased person or any responsible person has no immediate resources to meet these costs.

There is no requirement for the deceased person or the person’s family to be Income Assistance recipients to qualify for the funeral supplement.

Costs are to be recoverable whenever possible.

What is the Eligibility Criteria?

A funeral supplement may be provided by the Administering Authority (Band/First Nation) to cover “necessary funeral costs” for any person who dies in BC if the estate of the deceased person or any “responsible person” has no immediate resources to meet these costs.

Assistance may be provided by the Ministry of Social Development & Poverty Reduction (MSDPR) or costs shared between MSDPR and administering authority, depending upon where the deceased resided and was interred.

What if information is required to ensure everyone has the information required to process all documents and reports?

- Name of the First Nation Band
- Name of the BSDW and contact number at the band office
- Name and contact number of the next kin/legal rep
- Name of Deceased
- Date of death of deceased
- Date of birth of deceased (if known)
- Any specific wishes (if known): for example – burial within 72 hours, cremation etc.
- A copy of the will if the deceased (if known)
- 60 days banking statement for the deceased bank accounts (MSDPR requirement)
- Other financial statements which may be required to assess eligibility.

ALL BC RESIDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS SUPPLEMENT. THE DECEASED DOES NOT HAVE TO BE ON INCOME ASSISTANCE.

Procedures for Funeral Assistance

General Procedures:

	Resident		Funeral		Contact		
	On-Reserve	Off-Reserve	On-Reserve	Off-Reserve	BSDW on Reserve of Residence	BSDW of First Nation	MSDPR
Client	x		x		x		
	x			x	x		
		x	x			x - cost share w/ MSDPR	
		x		x			x

What are the Funeral Rates?

The BSDW determines the allowable funeral costs that are covered in the policy and allowable costs as set out in the Funeral Services Rate Table.

The BSDW advises the “legal representative” and “funeral service provider” with information on the eligibility decision regarding funeral costs and the funeral arrangements.

FUNERAL SERVICES RATE TABLE

Funeral Item	Funeral Rate
Funeral provider’s basic service fee	Up to \$1285.00
Other items or service fees	Up to \$815.00
Transportation fee	Km 0 to 32 is included in funeral providers basic service fee KM 33 to 82 is \$1.00 per km KM 83 to 182 is \$.90 per km KM above 182 is \$0.60 per km
Casket	\$928.00
Cost of Urn	Up to \$200.00