Disability Assistance
This grant provides financial aid to persons with disabilities who are citizens of Trinidad and Tobago and are unable to earn a livelihood.

**DISABILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT**
**$1,800 PER MONTH**

**WHO QUALIFIES**
- Age - Persons must be eighteen (18) years of age.
- Residence - Applicants must be a resident of Trinidad and Tobago for three (3) years preceding the date of application.
- Periods of absence from the country must not total more than six (6) months during those three (3) years.
- Income - Applicant’s annual income must not exceed $12,000 TTD per annum.
- Disability - Applicants must be certified permanently disabled and in the opinion of the Local Board, unable to earn their livelihood as a result of their disability.

**HOW TO APPLY**
- Applicants must satisfy all four (4) criteria.
- Application and Medical Report forms are available at the Local Board Office in your district.
- Applicants are required to attend an assessment meeting with the Local Public Assistance Board.
- The Local Board decides on all applications.

**WHAT DOCUMENTS DO I NEED?**
- Birth Certificate and /or Affidavit
- I.D. Card
- Passport
- Bank Passbook
- Marriage Certificate
- National Insurance Information
- Medical Report from a Government Officer
- Any other document relevant to the individual’s application

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The Social Welfare Division of the Ministry of Social Development and Family Services offers a range of Social Assistance Grants to persons in need, who have little or no means of support.

There is absolutely no charge to access or process these grants and the entire process may take up to 90 days for completion.

**Address & Contact:**
Social Welfare Division
ABMA Building
St. Vincent Street
Port of Spain
Phone: 623-2608

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Local Board Offices

MTS Plaza, Aranguez Road, Aranguez
623-2608 ext. 1602-1607

107 E.M. Rd. Tunapuna
(Opposite Royal Castle)
623-2608 ext. 1702-1714

Eleanore Street, Chaguanaas
623-2608 ext. 2102-2107 & 6200-6203

Cor. Savi Street & Boodooville Circular, Sangre Grande
623-2608 ext. 1902-1910 & 6400-6402

Lot 11 Naparima Mayaro Road,
Rio Claro
623-2608 ext. 2502-2510 / 6450-6451

Omardeen Building, 59-61 Cipero Street,
Gooding Village, San Fernando
623-2608 ext. 2302-2322

Marlsons Building, 97 High Street,
Princes Town
623-2608 ext. 2402-2408 & 6500-6503

Siparia Administrative, Complex-Cor Allies & High Street, Siparia
623-2608 ext. 2802-2805 / 649-2428

11 Richardson Street Mahaica, Pt Fortin
623-2608 ext. 2630-2640

Tam Building, Glen Road, Scarborough,
Tobago - 639-2673

Cor. Richmond & 128 Duke Street,
Port of Spain
623-2608 ext. 1000-1004 & 5900-5903

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Social Assistance Grants
Disability Assistance Senior Citizens’ Pension Public Assistance
Senior Citizens’ Pension
This grant provides financial assistance to Senior Citizens of Trinidad and Tobago.

WHO QUALIFIES
Age - Persons sixty-five (65) years and over
Residence - Applicants must be a resident in Trinidad and Tobago for twenty (20) years preceding the date of application.

Any periods of absence must not total more than five (5) years during the twenty (20) years preceding the application.

OR
The applicant must be residing in Trinidad and Tobago and have lived fifty (50) years in total in Trinidad and Tobago.
N.B. (the years do not need to be consecutive)
Income - Applicant’s monthly income must not exceed $4,500 TTD per month (pension varies according to monthly income)

HOW TO APPLY
• An application form may be collected and completed at the Local Board Office in your district.
• Applicants may be required to be interviewed by the Local Board.
• The Local Board decides on all applications.
• Where an application is rejected, persons have the right to appeal.

What Documents Do I Need?
Birth Certificate and /or Affidavit
I.D. Card
Passport
Bank Book
Marriage Certificate
National Insurance Information
Any other document relevant to the individual’s application

Public Assistance
This grant provides financial aid to vulnerable citizens. Persons found to be with little or no means of support and unable to earn a living to support themselves or dependents because of illness or injury, death and/or abandonment by a parent or guardian. It is also paid on behalf of needy children whose fathers, mothers or both parents have died, imprisoned or have deserted the family. This grant is also paid to a parent or guardian on behalf of a child with a severe disability and where the household income is deemed inadequate and unable to support themselves or dependents because of illness or injury.

What Documents Do I Need?
Birth Certificate and /or Affidavit
I.D. Card
Passport
Bank Book
Marriage Certificate
National Insurance Information
Children’s birth certificate (where applicable)
School Reports
Medical Reports
Death Certificate (where applicable)
Any other document relevant to the individual’s application

New Payment Schedule
No. of Persons | New Payment
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1 person | $1,150
2 Persons | $1,400
3 Persons | $1,600
4 Persons or more | $1,750

WHO QUALIFIES
Age - Applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age.
Persons must be certified by a Government Medical Officer as unable to earn a livelihood due to illness.

HOW TO APPLY
• Application and Medical Report forms are available at the Local Board Office in your district;
• Applications may also be made through referrals from other Agencies;
• An Investigating Officer will visit each applicant to assess his/her needs;
• Where an application is rejected, persons have the right to appeal.