To access social support, you or a member of your family must be retrenched/terminated or experience reduced income with effect from March 1st, 2020 and where the reduced gross income (minus statutory deductions) of the family, does not exceed $TT10,000.00.

To access the benefits, please follow these instructions:

1. Complete an Assessment/Declaration Form, available online on the website of the Ministry of Labour and Small Enterprise Development and the Ministry of Social Development and Family Services and submit/email form online ONLY to for assessment by the National Employment Services (NES) of the Ministry of Labour and Small Enterprise Development.

2. Submit a letter from your previous or current employer as proof of retrenchment / termination or reduced income accordingly.

3. In the case of self-employment, the application must be supported by two recommendations from a verifiable source.

4. For rental assistance, applicants are required to submit rental agreement, evidence of payment and a copy of the landlord’s ID Card (payment will be made to the Landlord).

5. If the official assessment by MOLSED deems the applicant eligible, that application will be referred to the Ministry of Social Development and Family Services for the processing of the relevant grants.

Grants will be payable as follows:

Rental Assistance will be provided to the value of $2,500.00 per month for a period of three (3) months initially, and up to six (6) months as required. If this support is required beyond the six months, the rental assistance grant will be reduced to $1,500.00 and then a further reduction of $1,000.00 for any additional months required. The total period of rental assistance must not exceed twelve (12) months.

For further information call the Toll Free Hotlines 800-1MSD, 800-OPIC or Ministry lines 623-2608 Extensions 1120 to 1132