

Disability Assistance

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

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE GRANT: \$2,000 PER MONTH.

Who Qualifies



AGE

Persons must be eighteen (18) and over



INCOME

Applicant's annual income must not exceed \$12,000 TTD per annum.



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.



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.

What Documents Do I Need?

When Applying for Disability Assistance

- Birth Certificate and/or Affidavit
- I.D. Card
- Passport
- Bank Book/Bank Transaction Record
- Marriage Certificate
- Medical Report from a Government Officer
- National Insurance Information

Any other document relevant to the individual's application

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.
- Where the application is rejected persons have the right to appeal.



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SOCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Senior Citizens' Pension
Disability Assistance
Public Assistance



Senior Citizens' Pension Grant

This grant provides financial assistance to Senior Citizens of Trinidad and Tobago who are vulnerable and in need.

Who Qualifies



AGE

Persons sixty-five (65) years and over



INCOME

Applicant's monthly income must not exceed TT\$5,500 per month (pension payment varies according to monthly income)



RESIDENCE

Applicants must be a resident of 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

What Documents Do I Need?



When Applying for Pension

Birth Certificate and/or Affidavit

I.D. Card

Passport

Bank Book/Bank Statement

Marriage Certificate

National Insurance Information

Any other document relevant to the individual's application

SENIOR CITIZENS' PENSION BANDS

Senior Citizens' Monthly Pension Maximum - \$3,500.00

Income Band	Pension Rate
Not exceeding \$2,500	\$3,500.00
Exceeding \$2,500 but not exceeding \$3,500.00	\$2,500.00
Exceeding \$3,500 but not exceeding \$4,500.00	\$1,500.00
Exceeding \$4,500 but not exceeding \$5,500.00	\$500.00

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. Following this, a home visit takes place.
- The Local Board decides on all applications.
- Where an application is rejected, persons have the right to appeal.
- You may complete an online application via tconnect.

Public Assistance

This grant provides financial aid to vulnerable citizens i.e. 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, been 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 them.

Who Qualifies



AGE

Applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age.



SICK

Persons must be certified by a Government Medical Officer as unable to earn a livelihood due to illness.

No. of Persons	New Payment Schedule
1 person	\$1,300
2 persons	\$1,550
3 persons	\$1,750
4 Persons or more	\$1,900

What Documents Do I Need?



When Applying for Public Assistance

Birth Certificate and/or Affidavit

I.D. Card

Passport

Bank Book/Bank Statement

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

How To Apply

- Application and Medical Report forms are available at the Local Board Office in your district.
- Persons may also be referred 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.
- The Local Board decides on all approvals.
- Applicants must satisfy a standard means test.