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Impact of Stimulus Payment on General Relief Applicants and Recipients

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Trump on March 27, 2020. One provision of this law provides economic stimulus payments, known as Economic Impact Payments, to individuals and families who are struggling financially as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

This virus has impacted every resident of the County of Los Angeles, including those who apply for, or receive, General Relief (GR) benefits. GR benefits are reserved for individuals who do not qualify for any other federal or State benefit programs. Given the magnitude of the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on all our residents, we must ensure that our GR applicants and recipients also benefit from the economic stimulus payment in order to mitigate the financial impact on the entire County. It is necessary for this Board to take immediate and responsive action.

WE, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Director of the Department of Social Services to temporarily waive the General Relief resource limit,

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during the Coronavirus Pandemic, by excluding stimulus payments received from State, federal or other governmental entities so that GR cases are not negatively impacted.

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