

**STORY COUNTY IOWA  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RESOLUTION NUMBER #20-107**

**RESOLUTION BY STORY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
CONSIDERING AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL ASSISTANCE MANUAL**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 20 – General Assistance Program, of the *Story County, Iowa Code of Ordinances* establishes the General Assistance Program with the stated purpose as: “20.01 PURPOSE. It is the position of the County that provision of assistance to needy persons is a matter of public benefit as well as a statutory duty of the County, and to that end general assistance, as defined herein, shall be administered to needy families and individuals, as identified by General Assistance Manual guidelines, promptly, humanely, and equitably, in order to assure those persons decent, healthful living situations. Together, this chapter and the Story County General Assistance Manual fulfill the duties imposed upon the County by Chapter 252 of the Code of Iowa”; and

**WHEREAS**, General Assistance is emergency assistance for low-income and indigent residents of Story County; and

**WHEREAS**, General Assistance can assist eligible persons with items such as: burial assistance, emergency medical treatment, food vouchers, prescription drugs, rent, utilities; and other basic needs on a case-by-case basis; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 20.04 GENERAL ASSISTANCE MANUAL specifies that “Amendments to the General Assistance Manual shall be made by resolution pursuant to Section 331.302 of the Code of Iowa, following publication of notice of the proposed change and opportunity for the public to be heard;” and

**WHEREAS**, legal notice of the proposed public hearing regarding Resolution No. 20-107 Considering Amendments to the General Assistance Manual in accordance with Section 20.04 of the *Story County, Iowa Code of Ordinance* was published in the official newspapers of Story County on Thursday, June 25, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, a summary of the proposed amendments outlined in Resolution No 20-107 is outlined below and the complete text of the proposed amendments attached to this Resolution:

- Removed language regarding legal settlement
- Added language regarding computation of income for Burial Assistance
- Added language regarding General Assistance income and resource guidelines will be reviewed annually and amended per Board of Supervisor approval
- Rent and utility assistance maximum amounts increased for single and family households
- Removed language regarding maximum rent and utility assistance in one unit for roommates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Story County Board of Supervisors of Story County, Iowa held a public meeting on this matter on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

**BE IT RESOLVED, THEREFORE**, by approving Resolution No. 20-107 Considering Amendments to the General Assistance Manual in accordance with Section 20.04 of the *Story County, Iowa Code of Ordinance*, that the Story County Board of Supervisors approves the proposed amendments as outlined in the attached.

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors and the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors are authorized and they are hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution as the voluntary act and deed of the Board of Supervisors of Story County, Iowa.

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.

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Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

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County Auditor

ROLL CALL  
FOR ALLOWANCE

Lauris Olson Yea\_\_\_ Nay\_\_\_ Absent\_\_\_  
Lisa Heddens Yea\_\_\_ Nay\_\_\_ Absent\_\_\_  
Linda Murken Yea\_\_\_ Nay\_\_\_ Absent\_\_\_

ALLOWED BY VOTE  
OF BOARD

Yea\_\_\_ Nay\_\_\_ Absent\_\_\_

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CHAIRPERSON Above tabulation made by \_\_\_\_\_