

## WHERE DO I APPLY?

At the Essex County Division of Welfare Office listed below:

**Military Park**  
18 Rector Street, 1<sup>st</sup> fl.  
Newark, NJ  
(973) 733-2440/2468

**Westside Service Center**  
18 Rector Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> fl.  
Newark, NJ  
(973) 733-3183

**Office of Special Services**  
18 Rector Street, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> fl.  
Newark, NJ  
(973) 645-8342

**Downtown Service Center**  
18 Rector Street, 7<sup>th</sup> fl.  
Newark, NJ  
(973) 733-2360

**Food Stamp Office**  
50 South Clinton Street, 1<sup>st</sup> fl.  
East Orange, NJ  
(973) 395-8000

**Office of Medicaid Services**  
18 Rector Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Newark, NJ 07102  
(973) 645-7084



**COUNTY OF ESSEX**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CITIZEN SERVICES**  
**DIVISION OF WELFARE**

*Putting Essex County First*

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**HOW TO OBTAIN HELP**  
**FOR**  
**FUNERAL AND BURIAL EXPENSES**

Benefits In Essex County

**HOW TO APPLY  
FOR  
PAYMENT OF FUNERAL  
AND  
BURIAL EXPENSES**

**What is Payment of Funeral and Burial Expenses?**

Payment toward the cost of funeral and burial or cremation expenses may be made by the WFNJ Agency for certain eligible individuals:

- Current recipients of WFNJ/TANF/GA/ SSI/CCPED or Medicaid Only.
- Applicants for these programs who died before eligibility was determined, but who would have been eligible.

- Certain former recipients who have been institutionalized.

Former recipients who left insurance or other assets assigned to the County.

- Individuals who die without survivors in a municipality other than their resident municipality

**HOW MUCH INCOME  
AND  
RESOURCES CAN THE INDIVIDUAL HAVE  
AND  
STILL BE ELIGIBLE?**

Individuals who meet one or more of the criteria listed above may be eligible.

**WHAT DOES AN INDIVIDUAL NEED TO APPLY FOR PAYMENT FOR FUNERAL AND BURIAL COSTS?**

When apply for payment of funeral and burial expenses, you will be asked to provide documents concerning the situation. If you have any of the documents listed below, please bring them with you when you come to the office. If you do not have them the worker will help you obtain the ones you need.

DEATH CERTIFICATE  
PROOF THAT THE DECEASED INDIVIDUAL MEETS  
ONE OR MORE OF THE CRITERIA LISTED ABOVE  
ITEMIZED BILL(S) ON FUNERAL HOME/CEMETERY  
LETTERHEAD

**WHAT ARE MY RESPONSIBILITIES?**

- To help the welfare agency obtain information needed to determine eligibility and amount of benefits.

**NOT MEETING THIS RESPONSIBILITY COULD MEAN THAT THE PAYMENT OF FUNERAL AND BURIAL EXPENSES WILL BE DENIED, REDUCED OR STOPPED.**