b. **ISSUANCE OF BENEFITS**

Benefits shall be issued by check, Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT), or vendor payment. Issuance of benefits may be staggered to correspond with the Cal Fresh staggered issuance schedule. No benefits will be issued to a destination outside of the County.

c. FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY

Financial eligibility to receive GA is determined by subtracting all current net income per the GA MAP. Any applicable overpayment adjustment shall be subtracted from the GA benefit.

The MAP is based on the size of the GA-AU and the AU's housing arrangements. See GA Maximum Aid Tables on below.

The MAP shall not include any individual who is not eligible for aid as a result of the Cal Works time limits specified in the W & I Code Section 11454 until all of the children of the individual on whose behalf aid was received, whether or not currently living in the home, are eighteen (18) years of age or older.

3. AID PAYMENTS

a. GA Immediate Need

Applicants that meet the Immediate Need requirement with the need for shelter, food and/or medical needs, have an eviction notice or 48 hour utility shut off notice will be issued payment within three (3) business days.

b. GA Applicant Assistance

Applicant assistance will be authorized when the GA-AU has provided all mandatory verifications but is required to demonstrate cooperation with the SSI/SSP application process or the Job Link/Search Program. Such assistance shall be limited to a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of application. Failure to demonstrate cooperation shall result in denial of GA.

c. Continuing Payments

Issuance of a full month of aid without a break in aid constitutes continuing aid. Termination or reduction of continuing benefits requires ten (10) days advance notice except when aid terminates at the conclusion of a time limited eligibility period of thirty (30) days or less.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE MAXIMUM AID TABLES

AU Persons	Maximum Aid Payment	Housing Portion	Utility Portion	Personal & Incidental Portion	Value of Income in Kind for Housing	Value of Income in Kind for Utilities
1	\$ 364.00	\$ 218.00	\$36.00	\$ 109.00	\$218.00	\$36.00
2	\$ 595.00	\$ 357.00	\$60.00	\$ 179.00	\$357.00	\$59.00

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