



From The Desk of
Eileen M. Burwell

November 22, 1999

Mr. Blanchard:

Attached are copies of the indigent state surveys we received. If you have any questions, please call the office at 781-335-2031.

I hope this information is helpful.

536 Broad Street, Suite 4, Weymouth, Massachusetts 02189



Happy Holiday to all from John Cascio

Massachusetts Funeral Directors Association

RETURN VIA FAX TO: 781-335-3245 OR WITH ENCLOSED ENVELOPE OR TO: MFDA/S36 BROAD STREET, #4/WEYMOUTH MA 02189

INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Connecticut

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 1,200.00

Funding agency:

STATE (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

If yes, is there a cap? yes TRUST \$5,400.00 INDIGENT \$under 4,000.00

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? PART OF THE EXPENSES

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

IRR. TRUST \$5,400.00 INDIGENT BURIALS with no trust under \$4,000.00 other forms case by case.

Name of person completing this survey: John F. Cascio, Executive Director Telephone #: (860) 721-0234

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: DELAWARE

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 723.00

Funding agency:

STATE (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

NO - MAY ACCEPT NOTHING MORE.
If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

(X) Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

[Blank lines for listing services]

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? UNMARKED

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

[Blank lines for answer]

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

CASKED & EMBALMED BODY WRAPPED IN SHEET.
UNMARKED GRAVE IN "WITERS FIELD"
STATE PUTS OUT CIV BID BY COUNTY

Name of person completing this survey: L. HELLADA w/ info from MEMBERS.
Telephone #: 302-436-6344



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FAX NUMBER: _____

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RE: _____

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Florida

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

s varies by County

Funding agency:

(city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately?

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Name of person completing this survey:
Telephone #:

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245.06 Unclaimed dead bodies; disposition, procedure.--All public officers, agents or employees of every county, city, village, town or municipality and every person in charge of any prison, morgue, hospital, funeral parlor or mortuary and all other persons coming into possession, charge or control of any dead human body which is unclaimed or which is required to be buried or cremated at public expense are hereby required to notify, immediately, the anatomical board, whenever any such body or bodies come into its possession, charge or control. Notification of the anatomical board is not required if the death was caused by crushing injury, the deceased had a contagious disease, an autopsy was required to determine cause of death, the body was in a state of severe decomposition, or a family member objects to use of the body for medical education and research. The person or entity in charge or control of the dead body shall make reasonable effort to determine the identity of the body and shall further make reasonable effort to contact any relatives of such deceased person. Such dead human bodies as described in this chapter shall be delivered to the anatomical board as soon as possible after death. Nothing herein shall affect the right of a medical examiner to hold such dead body for the purpose of investigating the cause of death, nor shall this chapter affect the right of any court of competent jurisdiction to enter an order affecting the disposition of such body. For purposes of this chapter, the term "anatomical board" means the anatomical board of this state located at the University of Florida Health Science Center.

History.--s. 6, ch. 28163, 1953; ss. 15, 35, ch. 69-106; s. 22, ch. 73-334; s. 1, ch. 91-168; s. 1, ch. 96-251.

245.08 Death of indigents; notice; delivery to the anatomical board when unclaimed; exceptions; assessment of fees.--

(1) Notice of death to the anatomical board in cases of indigent persons is not required if:

(a) Death was caused by crushing injury.

(b) The deceased had a contagious disease.

(c) An autopsy was required to determine cause of death.

(d) The body was in a state of severe decomposition.

(e) Any relative, by blood or marriage, claims the body for burial at the expense of such relative, but the body shall be surrendered to the claimant for interment.

(f) Any friend or any representative of a fraternal society of which the deceased was a member, or a representative of any charitable or religious organization, or a governmental agency which was providing residential care to the indigent person at the time of his or her death claims the body for burial at his or her, its, or their expense.

(g) The deceased person was an honorably discharged member of the Armed Forces of the United States or the state who served during a period of wartime service as defined in s. 1.01 (14); but such body shall be buried in accordance with the provisions of the existing laws.

(2) When the ¹Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services claims the body of a client according to this section, the department shall assess fees for burial pursuant to s. 402.33.

History.--s. 7, ch. 28163, 1953; s. 1, ch. 67-564; ss. 15, 35, ch. 69-106; s. 1, ch. 81-40; s. 10, ch. 84-114; s. 12, ch. 95-143; s. 88, ch. 95-148; s. 3, ch. 96-251.

¹Note.--The Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services was redesignated as the Department of Children and Family Services by s. 5, ch. 96-403, and the Department of Health was created by s. 8, ch. 96-403.



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: GEORGIA

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$

Funding agency:

(city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately?

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Georgia may be unique in handling indigent burials. There is no state program or parameters, all are handled on a county by county basis - with reimbursement levels, services, etc. across the board by county

Name of person completing this survey:

Telephone #:

Jim Fowler - 404-249-9555

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Illinois

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 650

Funding agency: Human Services
100 S. Grand Ave West - Jessie B. Harris Building
Springfield, IL (city, town, county, state, other) 62762

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment? YES

Non-Responsible relatives.
If yes, is there a cap? 2,000 in contributions.

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

(X) Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc: Removal, preparation of the remains, casket (including inner casket) outside container, customary local transportation of the remains, use of funeral home and of all customary facilities and appointments

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? Cemetery receives \$325 for plot, opening and closing

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? Yes, or bill pays and claims 422 + 475

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

It is a poor, unfair, outdated plan that not paying our members, particularly our members and their families, who are 3-6 months for payment are common.

Name of person completing this survey: Robert J. ...
Telephone #: 217-525-2074

arrangements for religious services if required appropriate class and if necessary and grace services!



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Indiana

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ Varies

Hi Margaret - See you in Boston - R. L.

Funding agency:

Township Trustees (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

no
If yes, is there a cap? no

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc: See below -

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately?

Separate, except for opening & closing.
If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? Separate, except for opening & closing.

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Indiana FDA passed a law stating the Township Trustees will pick the maximum price funeral listed on a funeral home's General Price List mandated by the FTC.

Name of person completing this survey: Rosalie Lynch
Telephone #: (317) 846-2448

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: IOWA

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 600 - 3000

Funding agency:

County (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

Yes
If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? included

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

No consistency among the 99 counties in Iowa. Funeral Directors get together each year and go to the county board of supervisors to petition for more money for indigent burials.

Name of person completing this survey: CAROL Fleagle
Telephone #:

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Kansas

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 550

Funding agency:

State (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

Yes

If yes, is there a cap? Total cost of funeral service cannot exceed \$5000. Therefor family can contribute \$1450 plus pay for vault and cemetery expenses.

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? Cemetery can be handled separately. Crematory is included.

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? Only funeral home is paid under funeral assistance program. Cemetery is on its own.

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Attached is a copy of the regulation.

Name of person completing this survey: Pam Scott
Telephone #: 785 232-7789

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July 1, 1992; amended Oct. 1, 1992; amended Dec. 31, 1992; amended, T-30-2-15-93, Feb. 15, 1993; amended June 1, 1993; amended July 1, 1994; amended Jan. 1, 1997; amended March 1, 1997; amended Oct. 1, 1997.)

Assistance may be provided for funeral expenses upon the death of a recipient under the TAF, GA, or medical assistance programs. (a) Funeral expenses. Funeral expenses shall include the cost of the following:

- (1)(A) the preparation of the body;
- (B) the purchase of a minimum casket;
- (C) the transportation within the trade area; and
- (D) a service; or
- (2) expenses for a cremation.

(b) Application. Each request for funeral assistance shall be made within six months after the date of death or the date the body is released by a county coroner.

(c) Treatment of resources.

(1) When a decedent, at the time of death, was not living with a child of the decedent who was under age 21, the spouse of the decedent, or an adult disabled child of the decedent, the total estate of the decedent shall be considered available. This provision shall not be applicable in situations in which there were separate living arrangements because of the need for institutional care. The estate shall not be allowed any exemptions.

(2) Eligibility for assistance shall be based on the assets of the family group as of the calendar month in which the decedent died under these circumstances:

(A) When a decedent was living, at the time of death, with a child of the decedent who was under age 21, the spouse of the decedent, an adult disabled child of the decedent, or if the decedent was a child under age 21, living with the parent of the decedent; or

(B) when there were separate living arrangements from one of the persons specified in subparagraph (c)(2)(A) of this regulation because of the need for institutional care.

(3) The total amount of proceeds on any life insurance policy on the decedent shall be considered available if the policy was owned by the decedent, the spouse of the decedent, or the parent of the decedent if the decedent was a child under age 21.

(4) Death benefits from SSA, VA, railroad retirement, KPERS, or other burial funds shall be considered available.

(d) Resource limit. If the value of the resources considered available in accordance with subsection (c) of this regulation does not exceed \$2,000, assistance may be provided. If the resource value exceeds \$2,000, the decedent shall be ineligible for assistance.

(e) Assistance provided. If the decedent is eligible, the amount of funeral assistance provided shall be \$550, except that the total cost of funeral expenses, including the \$550 payment, shall not exceed \$2,000. If the total cost exceeds \$2,000, no assistance shall be provided.

(f) This regulation shall take effect on and after October 1, 1997. (Authorized by K.S.A. 1996 Supp. 39-708c; implementing K.S.A. 1996 Supp. 39-708c and K.S.A. 1996 Supp. 39-709 and K.S.A. 39-713d; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 1, 1985; amended May 1, 1986; amended

April 1, 1990; amended Sept. 30, 1994; amended July 1, 1996; amended March 1, 1997; amended Oct. 1, 1997.)

30-4-108. General rules for consideration of resources, including real property, personal property, and income. (a) For purposes of determining eligibility for assistance, ownership of property shall be determined by legal title. In the absence of a legal title, ownership shall be determined by possession.

(b) Resources, to be real, shall be of a nature that the value can be defined and measured. The value of resources shall be established by the objective measurements set forth in paragraphs (1) and (2) below.

(1) Real property. The value of real property shall be initially determined by the latest uniform statewide appraisal value of the property, which shall be adjusted to reflect current market value. If the property has not been appraised or if the market value as determined above is not satisfactory to the applicant or recipient or the agency, an estimate or appraisal of its value shall be obtained from a disinterested real estate broker. The cost of obtaining an estimate or appraisal shall be borne by the agency.

(2) Personal property. The market value of personal property shall be initially determined by a reputable trade publication. If a publication is not available, or if there is a difference of opinion regarding the value of the property between the applicant or recipient and the agency, an estimate from a reputable dealer shall be used. The cost of obtaining an estimate or appraisal shall be borne by the agency.

(c) Resources shall be considered available both when actually available and when the applicant or recipient has the legal ability to make them available. A resource shall be considered unavailable when there is a legal impediment that precludes the disposal of the resource. The applicant or recipient shall pursue reasonable steps to overcome the legal impediment unless it is determined that the cost of pursuing legal action would exceed the resource value of the property or that it is unlikely the applicant or recipient would succeed in the legal action.

(d) The resource value of property shall be that of the applicant's or recipient's equity in the property. Unless otherwise established, the proportionate share of jointly owned real property and the full value of jointly owned personal property shall be considered available to the applicant or recipient. Resources held jointly with a non-legally responsible person may be excluded from consideration if the applicant or recipient can demonstrate that the applicant or recipient has no ownership interest in the resource, that the applicant or recipient has not contributed to the resource, and that any access to the resource by the applicant or recipient is limited to acting as an agent for the other person.

(e) Except as provided in subsection (h) and (l), non-exempt resources of all persons in the assistance plan and the nonexempt resources of persons who have been excluded from the assistance plan pursuant to K.A.R. 30-4-70(e)(3) and 30-4-90(a)(3) shall be considered.

(f) Except as provided in subsection (h); the combined resources of husband and wife, if they are living together, shall be considered in determining the eligibility of either

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Kentucky

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ No Set amount

Funding agency:

(city) town, (county) state, other

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

N/A
If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc: N/A

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? N/A

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? N/A

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Local governments take care of all indigents etc. Some cities/counties have arrangement + some do not. There are no set standards. One town may give \$2500 another \$500 or another nothing.

Name of person completing this survey: Sidney Fogle
Telephone #: 502-223-0622



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Maryland

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 650.00

Funding agency:

State (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

no If yes, is there a cap? maximum of \$1500 true

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

funeral director must have 3 openings receiving from maximum of \$650.00 maximum of \$1500.00

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? handled separately

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? family responsibility

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Name of person completing this survey: Dolly A. Love Telephone #: (301) 459-9693

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: MICHIGAN

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:
\$ 885 (+ \$200 if funeral home supplies vault)

Funding agency: State (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?
Yes
If yes, is there a cap? \$2,300

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?
() Yes (X) No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc: _____

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? Separately

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? Billed agency

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:
The cemetery gets \$300 over and above funeral home's share

Name of person completing this survey: MATT MAIRE
Telephone #: (517) 349-9566

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Thanks for the Boston information!



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Minnesota Funeral Directors Assn.

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ Varies by county - see attached

Funding agency:

County (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

Some counties yes, others no.
If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? Included

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Name of person completing this survey:
Telephone #: 612/542-1814

COUNTY	PROF SERV	CASKET	VAULT	LOT	OPEN & CLOSE	TRANSPORTATIO	CREMATION	OTHER INFO
ATKIN COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,000.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$250	COST	COST	\$1/MI OUTSIDE LOC	\$850	DEVICE SETUP \$50
ANOKA COUNTY OF	\$674.00	\$224	\$245	\$278	\$192	\$76/MAX	\$1049/MAX-INCLUD	SEE POLICY-ADDT
BECKER COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,125.00	\$202 (COST + 10%)	\$317 (COST + 10 %	COST	AT COST	\$1/PER LOADED MIL	SAME AS PROFESSIC	
BELTAMI COUNTY SOCIAL SERVI	\$1,500.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$90/MI OUTSIDE CC	COST	ADDTL INFO ON CH
BENTON COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$2,000.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COUNTY LOT-IF NECI	COST	\$1/MILE FOR 20-75	NOTHING LISTED	
BIG STONE COUNTY FAMILY SERV	\$2,000.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$1,100.00	
BLUE EARTH COUNTY HUMAN SER	\$1,914.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	INCL W/ PROF SERV	NOTHING LISTED	
BROWN COUNTY FAMILY SERVICE	\$1,300.00	COST + \$25	COST + \$25	COST/IF NEEDED	COST	\$1.25/MI OVER 5 M	NOTHING LISTED	
CARLTON COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,010.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST + 15%	COST	COST UP TO \$275.0	\$95/MI OUTSIDE CC	VARIES	\$30 CLERGY
CARVER COUNTY OF	\$1,000.00	\$300	\$220	COST	COST	\$1/LOADED MI	DIRECT \$475	TOTAL MAX \$1800
CASS COUNTY DEPT OF SOCIAL S	\$1,500.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	COST	\$1.25/PER LOADED MI	\$500.00 + \$1,00/LOA	
CHIPPewa COUNTY FAMILY SERV	\$1,000.00	\$625	INCL W/ CASKET	COST	COST	\$1M1-OVER 30MI \$2	\$1,500.00	LESS AVAILABLE F
CHISAGO COUNTY	\$1,750.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$80/MI-OUT OF COI	\$920.00	
CLAY COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE C	\$1,200.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	COST	NOTHING LISTED	\$400.00	SEE POLICY FOR C
CLEARWATER COUNTY DEPT OF H	\$800.00	\$225	COST	COST	COST	\$1/MI OVER 25 MI	NOTHING LISTED	SEE POLICY FOR C
COOK COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	\$1,550.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$1,300.00	MAX
COTTONWOOD COUNTY FAMILY SI	\$1,500.00	\$390	\$505	COST	COST	\$75/MI OVER 30 M	NOTHING LISTED	
CROW WING COUNTY SOCIAL SER	\$880.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	REASONABLE MARKI	COST	COST	ON APPROVAL-OVER	NOTHING LISTED	
DAKOTA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT &	\$1,000.00	\$200	\$220	\$250	\$350	\$75	\$375-ADULT	ACTUAL CREMATI
DODGE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,500.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	\$1/LOADED MILE FC	\$1,000.00	MAX
DOUGLAS COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,200.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$1/MI OVER 20 MI	NOTHING LISTED	SIMPLE MARKER-C
FARIBAULT COUNTY HUMAN SER	\$1,250.00	\$250	\$300	COST-IF NECESSARY	COST	\$1/MI OVER 25 MI	NOTHING LISTED	SEE MARTIN COUN
FILLMORE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVI	\$1,150.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST-IF NECESSARY	COST	25-110 MI-REIMBUR	\$500/COST	
FREEBORN COUNTY DEPT OF HUM	\$850.00	COST	COST	COST-IF NECESSARY	COST	IF NECESSARY	NOTHING LISTED	
GOODHUE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,350.00	COST	COST	COST	COST	\$1/MI ONE WAY	NOTHING LISTED	
GRANT COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,090.00	\$300	\$290	COST	COST	EXCESS WILL BE PAI	NOTHING LISTED	
HENNEPIN SOCIAL SERVICES- CLI	\$795.00	\$218	\$230-\$237	\$469	INCL W/ LOT	SEE POLICY	\$782.00	MAX
HOUSTON COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,425.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	\$1/MI-OVER 20 MI	\$750.00	COST
HUBBARD COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,000.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	COST	\$1/MI-OVER 25 MI	NOTHING LISTED	NO ADDITIONS
ISANTI COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,250.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	COST	\$75/LOADED MI-UP	NOTHING LISTED	NO ADDITIONS
ITASCA COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$990.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$550	COST	COST	\$1/MI ON APPROVA	NOTHING LISTED	
JACKSON COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,800.00	\$400	\$425	COST	COST	\$65/MI-OVER 30 M	UP TO FUNERAL ALL	NO ADDITIONS
KANABEC COUNTY FAMILY SERVICE	\$865.00	\$204.00	\$267.75	COST	COST	\$1/MILE IF OVER 20	\$610.00	SEE POLICY FOR C
KANDIYOHI COUNTY FAMILY SERV	\$1,350.00	\$290	\$360	COST	COST	\$1.50/MI 20-200 M	UP TO LIMIT	
KITSON COUNTY WELFARE DEPT	\$1,500.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	ON APPROVAL-OUT	UP TO LIMIT	
KOOCHICING COUNTY COMMUNI	\$1,050.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$310	COST	COST	\$90/MI OVER 35 M	COST + 10%	

COUNTY	PROF SERV	CASKET	VAULT	LOT	OPEN & CLOSE	TRANSPORTATIO	CREMATION	OTHER INFO
LAC QUI PARLE CO FAMILY SERV	\$1,602.00	\$372.00	\$372.00	COST	COST	\$1/MI OUTSIDE OF C	\$900.00	SEE POLICY FOR A
LAKE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE D	\$970.00	\$270	\$305	COST	COST	COST	NOTHING LISTED	
LAKE OF THE WOODS COUNTY SO	\$650.00	\$200	COST	COST	COST	\$.80/MI	NOTHING LISTED	MARKER @ COST
LE SUEUR	\$1,200.00	WHOLESALE COST +	WHOLESALE COST	COST-IF NECESSARY	WHOLESALE COST	\$.31/MI	COST	MUST BE PRIOR AUT
LINCOLN COUNTY	\$1,420.00	\$340	\$340	COST	COST	\$1.65/MI OVER 25	\$165-\$212 (COST)	
LYON COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES	\$1,420.00	\$340	\$340	COST	COST	\$1.65/MI OVER 25	\$165-\$212 (COST)	
MAHONOMET COUNTY HUMAN SER	\$1,025.00	\$165	\$235	COST	COST	\$1/MI OVER 25 MI	NOTHING LISTED	\$1690 - SUMMER,
MARSHALL COUNTY SOCIAL SER	\$1,600.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	\$.50 MILE IF OVER	NOTHING LISTED	CLOTHING - .50
MARTIN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,250.00	\$250	\$300	COST	COST	\$1/MI OVER 25 ONE	NOTHING LISTED	
MC LEOD COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,700.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INVOICE COST	COST	COST	\$1.25/MI 150 MI. M.	COST	
MEEKER COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,850.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$1.50	\$200	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$650.00 - SEE POLIC	
MILLE LACS COUNTY FAMILY SER	\$820.00	\$263.00	\$350.00	NONE	COST	\$.75/PER LOADED M	NOTHING LISTED	OVERSIZED CASKE
MORRISON COUNTY	\$1,221.00	\$250	\$284	COST	COST	\$1.50/MI 20-200 M	NOTHING LISTED	
MOWER COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,750.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COUNTY LOT-IF NECI	COST	ON APPROVAL-OUTS	COST UP TO \$1750	
MURRAY COUNTY-REGION VIII NO	\$1,420.00	\$340	\$340	COST	COST	\$1.65/MI OVER 25	\$165-\$212 (COST)	
NICOLLET COUNTY	\$1,200.00	\$350	\$300	COST	COST	\$1.25/MI OVER 25	COST	MARKER-\$258
NOBLES COUNTY FAMILY SERVICE	\$2,100.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COUNTY LOT-IF NECI	COST	\$1.50/MI 20-200 M	COST	
NORMAN COUNTY	\$2,200.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$1/MI \$300 MAX	NOT TO EXCEED BUF	CLOTHING \$50.00
OLMSTED COUNTY COMMUNITY S	\$1,500.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	COST	COST	
OTTER TAIL COUNTY DEPT OF SO	\$760.00	\$240.00	\$300	COST	COST	\$1/MI	\$850 + TRANSPORT	
PENNINGTON COUNTY	\$1,200.00	\$210	\$250	COST	COST	INCL W/ PROF SERV	NOTHING LISTED	
PINE COUNTY DEPT OF HUMAN SE	\$1,612.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$1/PER LOADED MILIT	\$1,209-MAX	
PISTONE COUNTY FAMILY SER	\$1,475.00	\$340	\$340	COST	COST	\$1.65/MI 30-200	\$165-\$212 / COST	
POLK COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE CI	\$1,900.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$1/MI OVER 30 MI.	\$950	
POPE COUNTY FAMILY SERVICE D	\$1,000.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	COST	COST	COST + TRANSPORT	
RAMSEY COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,281.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$5.98	INCL W/ LOT	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$583	NO ADDITIONS
RED LAKE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVIC	\$1,500.00	\$225	COST	COST	COST	\$.50/MI OVER 25 M	NOTHING LISTED	
REWOOD COUNTY HUMAN SERVIC	\$1,500.00	COST	COST	COST	COST	NOTHING LISTED	NOTHING LISTED	
RENNELLE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,500.00	\$550	\$350	COST	COST	\$1.50/MI OUT OF CC	\$1500.00/ALL INCL	
RICE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	\$1,478.00	\$173	\$263	NOTHING LISTED	NOTHING LISTED	\$1.30/MI 10-25 MI	NOTHING LISTED	
ROCK COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	\$1,200.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST-IF NECESSARY	COST	OVER 25 MI	COST	
ROSEAU COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,380.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	OUTSIDE LOCAL	NOTHING LISTED	
SANT LOUIS COUNTY SOCIAL SEI	\$975.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	NONE	NOTHING LISTED	
SCOTT COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,150.00	ACTUAL COST UP T	ACTUAL COST UP T	ACTUAL COST UP T	ACTUAL COST UP T	ACTUAL COST UP T	\$675.00	MAXIMUM \$2,484
SHERBURNE COUNTY SOCIAL SER	\$729.00	\$393	INCL W/ CASKET AM	COST-IF NECESSARY	\$431	\$1.30 PER LOADED A	\$712 MAX	SEE POLICY FOR CH
SIBLEY COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,200.00	COST	COST	COST	COST	\$1/MI 150 MI MAX	COST-\$1800 MAX	

COUNTY	PROF SERV	CASKET	VAULT	LOT	OPEN & CLOSE	TRANSPORTATIO	CREMATION	OTHER INFO
STEARNS COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,650.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST-MAX \$200	\$250 MAX	SEE POLICY	SEE POLICY	TOTAL MAX FOR E
STEELE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,245.00	\$350	\$430	NOTHING LISTED	NOTHING LISTED	INCL W/ PROF SERV	NOTHING LISTED	
STEVENS COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,600.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	OUT OF LOCAL AREA	\$600	
SWIFT COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES	\$1,400.00	\$290 MAXIMUM - C	\$275 MAXIMUM - C	COST	\$225	\$1.50/MI ON APPRC	NOTHING LISTED	
TODD COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	\$1,070.00	\$280	SELLING PRICE	\$150	COST	\$1.50/MI	NOTHING LISTED	MARKER-COST
TRAVERSE COUNTY SOCIAL SERV	\$1,435.00	\$395	\$495	COST	COST	\$1/MI OVER 35 MI	NOTHING LISTED	
WABASHA COUNTY	\$1,500.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST	COST	\$1/MI OVER 25 MI	NOTHING LISTED	MUST BE PRIOR AU
WADENA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE	\$1,320.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$540.00	COST-MAX \$150	COST	\$1.20/PER LOADED	UP TO PROFESSIONA	
WASECA COUNTY DEPT OF HUMA	\$950.00	\$395	\$375	COST	COST	NOTHING LISTED	NOTHING LISTED	
WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMUNI	\$1,200.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$416	COUNTY LOT	400	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$920	
WATONWAN COUNTY HUMAN SER	\$1,250.00	\$250 (OVERSIZE @ C	COST	COST	COST	\$1/MI OVER 25 MI	COST	
WILKIN COUNTY FAMILY SERVICE	\$1,400.00	\$295	\$370	COST	COST	\$1 PER MILE OUTSIDE		TOTAL OF \$2500
WINONA COUNTY DEPT OF HUMA	\$560.00	COST	COST	\$210-MAX	\$190-MAX	\$1.15/MI OUT OF TC	\$500 + TRANSPORT	
WRIGHT COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	\$1,600.00	INCL W/ PROF SERV	INCL W/ PROF SERV	COST - UP TO \$400	INCL W/ PROF SERV	\$1.50/MI \$75 MAX OY	UP TO \$700.00	SEE POLICY FOR IN
YELLOW MEDICINE COUNTY FAMIL	\$1,273.00	COST	COST	COST	COST	COST	NOTHING LISTED	TOTAL MAX \$2000



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Mississippi

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ State law leaves to discretion of each county (up to \$500)

Funding agency:

Indiv. County (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

No
If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Most counties--no. Some counties require cremation

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately?

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? N/A

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:
No

Name of person completing this survey: Ann Neal
Telephone #: 601-969-6789

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Missouri

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 0

Funding agency:

no state (city, town, county, state, other) some counties have established indigent funding, but there is not a state law.
Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

no
If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc: N/A

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? N/A

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:
Our state has a crime victim's fund that is funded by an assessment of court cases and by assessing defendants.

Name of person completing this survey: Henry L. Anderson
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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: NEBRASKA

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ varies by each county in the state

Funding agency:

County (city, town, county, state, other) * (see below)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately?

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Nebraska has 93 counties and each one sets their own policies, reimbursement amounts, services, etc. that are covered. We have checked with the State of Nebraska and they do nothing on indigent funeral and burial services funding. It is all done by the individual counties in 93 different ways.

Name of person completing this survey: Don ELLENBERG

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: New Jersey

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:
\$ 1970 for funeral; \$460 for cemetery

Funding agency:
State 75-96
County 25-96 (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?
Yes
If yes, is there a cap? \$1,500

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?
() Yes (X) No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? Included in cemetery portion.

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? from agency.

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Name of person completing this survey: Wilson or George
Telephone #: 432-974-9444



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: North Carolina

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ NONE - NO STATE FUNDS AT ALL!

Funding agency:

Social Services (city, town, county, state, other)
Depending on County - MAX is \$300.00

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

YES.
If yes, is there a cap? NONE

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Blank lines for listing services, merchandise, etc.

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? Included

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? N/A

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

No State System. VARIES WITH EACH COUNTY.
Range from 0 TO \$300.00

Name of person completing this survey: Larry Stegall NCFDA
Telephone #: 800-616-2332



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: North Dakota

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 1000 to \$ 2875.00 - each county is different

Funding agency:

County (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

no
If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

(x) Yes () No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc: 1 county said cremation only

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? yes

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

funeral homes met with the County Commissions and set these prices that the county would pay for funeral

Name of person completing this survey: Dale G. Niewoehner
Telephone #: 701-776-6222



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: OHIO

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 750.00

Funding agency:

STATE (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

Yes
If yes, is there a cap? 750.00 (TOTAL OF LOCAL GOVT/FAMILY CONTRIBUTIONS)

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? INCLUDED

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

[Blank lines for additional information]

Name of person completing this survey: STEVE EHEBERT
Telephone #: 502-587-6332



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Oklahoma

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$

Funding agency:

The County Commissioners office in each Co. determines Amt. if Any Avail see Attachment.
(city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

NO
If yes, is there a cap? N/A

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately?

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Name of person completing this survey: JAY BAINES
Telephone #: 405-843-0130

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BECAUSE OKLAHOMA HAS 77 COUNTIES AND COVERS A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF MILES FROM N.E TO S.W., ETC. THE FOLLOWING RELATES ONLY TO OKLAHOMA COUNTY WHERE OKLAHOMA CITY IS RELATED. THE REASON IS THAT EVERYTHING IS DONE COUNTY BY COUNTY,

ALSO, WHILE CREMATION MAY BE MORE OF A TREND IN OKLA. AND TULSA COUNTIES THAT IS PRIMARILY BECAUSE THE MAJORITY OF THE CREMATORIES ARE IN THOSE TWO AREAS AND OUTLYING COUNTIES USE BURIAL INSTEAD OF INVOLVING ALL OF THE TRANSPORTAION COSTS AND TIME WHICH CREMATION MIGHT INVOLVE.

IN OKLAHOMA CO.

FUNERAL DIRECTOR (F.D.) MUST GET A DENIAL FROM THE STATE ANATOMICAL BOARD INDICATING THEY DO NOT WANT THE BODY FOR RESEARCH.

F.D. INTERVIEWS FAMILY TO FIND OUT IF ANYTHING IS OWNED. THIS REPORT IS SENT TO COUNTY WELFARE OFFICE.

FAMILY MUST THEN GO TO THE WELFARE OFFICE AND PROVE THEIR CASE TO THAT OFFICE.

F.D. GETS \$285 OF WHICH \$109 OF THAT IS INTENDED TO PAY FOR THE ACTUAL CREMATION ALSO, IN INDIGENT CASES THE MEDICAL EXAMINER WAIVES THE \$100 CREMATION PERMIT FEE.

IF IT CAN BE PROVEN THAT THE PERSON WAS INDIGENT HOWEVER HAPPENED TO HAVE OWNED IN HIS OR HER OWN NAME A CEM. PLOT THEN THE COUNTY OR CEMETERY WILL OPEN AND CLOSE FOR FREE. WHEN A BURIAL IS DONE \$750 IS PAID

FAMILIES CANNOT HELP WITH EXPENSES, IT IS AN ALL OR NOTHING DEAL IF IT IS TO BE DECLARED AN INDIGENT CASE.



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Oregon

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

no more than \$ 450 depending on monthly funeral balance. See CAR 333-012-0500

Funding agency:

Health Division (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

for "unclaimed" bodies
If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (/) No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately?

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

only licensed funeral directors and embalmers may be claimants

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

See att'd

Name of person completing this survey:

Telephone #: 503-639-1186

Joe Johnston

ORS 97.170

Disposition of the body of an indigent or a child in custody of Children's Services Division

(1) Except as set forth in subsection (4) of this section, any licensed funeral service practitioner having charge of the body of a deceased person thought to be an unclaimed indigent shall use all reasonable diligence promptly to notify the relatives of the deceased person or any other person having an interest in the deceased person and shall arrange with any relative who claims the body or with any friend of the deceased person who will pay the expenses to make disposition of the body. If no one claims the body within five days after death, or if those notified acquiesce, the funeral service practitioner shall notify, by telephone, the Demonstrator of Anatomy of the Oregon Health Sciences University. The Demonstrator of Anatomy, who shall be appointed by the Oregon Health Sciences University Board of Directors from the staff of the Oregon Health Sciences University, shall immediately inform the funeral service practitioner whether the body is deemed to be in fit condition and is desired for medical instruction or the advancement of medical science. If the body is desired for these purposes, the funeral service practitioner shall arrange for a licensed embalmer to make such preparation as is necessary and shall, within 72 hours, deliver it to the Oregon Health Sciences University, or any other school or college within the State of Oregon. Qualifying applicants for examination in the fundamental sciences as required and specified in ORS 683.010 to 683.335 and ORS chapters 676 to 681 and 684 to 686, as the Demonstrator of Anatomy directs. The expenses of embalming, transportation of the body to such school or college, filing fees and other related expenses shall be paid from the funds appropriated specifically for the purposes of this section. Such expenses shall not exceed the normal rates charged for such services to the general public.

(2) If the Demonstrator of Anatomy does not require any such body for instruction or research, it may be assigned, on request to any other properly authorized institution within the state or to any qualified physician for instruction or research.

(3) When the body of a deceased person is deemed in unfit condition by the Demonstrator of Anatomy and disposition does not take place as set forth in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, and no relatives, friends or interested persons claim the body after notification is attempted, then the funeral service practitioner may commence to cremate or bury the body without the consent of persons listed in ORS 97.130 and is furthermore indemnified from any liability arising from having made such disposition. The method of disposition must be in the least costly manner that complies with law, and that does not conflict with known wishes of the deceased. Reimbursement for costs of disposition shall be made as set forth in subsection (5) of this section.

(4) When the deceased person is a child over whom the Children's Services Division held guardianship at the time of death, and no relatives, friends or interested persons claim the body after notification is attempted as set forth in subsection (1) of this section, the division may at its discretion notify the Demonstrator of Anatomy and proceed as set forth in subsection (1) of this section, or may authorize burial or cremation of the body. Expenses related to burial or cremation authorized by the division under this subsection shall be borne by the division.

(5) Upon receipt of an itemized statement of expenses, the Health Division shall reimburse the funeral service practitioner within 30 days the reasonable costs for disposition of an unclaimed deceased person who has insufficient assets and for whom no one takes responsibility. The method of disposition must be in the least costly manner and shall not exceed \$450 per disposition.

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(1) Licensed funeral service practitioners and embalmers, hereafter referred to as claimants, shall submit an itemized statement of expenses for services performed for unclaimed indigent bodies.

(2) The itemized statement shall be accompanied by the claimants certification that services for which reimbursement is claimed were in accordance with stipulations in ORS 97.170(1)(3)(5).

(3) Certification will be on the Health Division's form FS 23-154 or similar document which contains all the information requested on form FS 23-154.

(4) The Health Division shall disburse funds to claimants monthly.

(a) Applications received between the 10th day of a month and the 9th day of the following month will constitute the total number of claims eligible for reimbursement in that month.

(b) Reimbursement will be in the amount of the invoice or \$450 whichever is less.

(c) In accordance with ORS 432.146(3), the total amount of reimbursements cannot exceed the total amount of funds available and on hand at the close of the accounting period each month. Therefore, in any given month when the amount of claimants' itemized statements or \$450 per claim, whichever is less, exceeds the total amount of funds available for disbursement, the total amount of the funds on hand and available for disbursement will be distributed proportionately among all of the claimants that submitted itemized statements during that month.

APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF COSTS FOR INDIGENT BURIAL SERVICES

Mail this completed application with invoice or statement of expenditures to:

Office of Administrator
Oregon Health Division
800 NE Oregon Street
Portland, OR 97232

Please answer the following:

1. Have you attempted to contact a relative, friend or interested party to take responsibility of expenses for the disposition of the body.
Yes or No (If yes, please submit a written explanation.)
2. Has a relative, friend or interested party claimed the body within the 5 day requirement?
Yes or No (If yes, please submit a written explanation.)

I have read, and I understand the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) and the Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) indicated on the back of this document issued for the lawful distribution of funds from the Indigent Burial Fund. I certify that all costs contained on the accompanying statement of expenditures for which reimbursement is claimed are for services provided as set forth in ORS 97.170 (1)(3)(5) and for disposition of an **unclaimed indigent body** as defined by ORS 97.170 (1)(5). I also certify that the statement of expenditures accurately itemizes funds paid to practioner from other sources, e.g, Veterans Affairs, Social Security, family, friends, decedent's estate, and/or any other entity, public or private. I hereby acknowledge that a fraudulent submission of this form will result in penalties set forth in ORS 692.180.

Signature of Licensed Embalmer or
Licensed Funeral Service Provider

License Number / License Expiration Date

Please Make Reimbursement Check Payable to:

Name

Business Name

Street Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

Note: Applications received after the 9th of each month will be processed in the following month, and incomplete certifications or certifications received without an itemized statement of expenditures as stipulated in ORS 97.170 (5) will be returned to claimant for completion before payment of reimbursement.

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Pennsylvania

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 350

Funding agency:

Dept. of Public Welfare (city, town, county, state other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

yes
If yes, is there a cap? \$180

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? included

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:
Request must be made by a relative, friend, guardian, representative of a state institution, or representative of a fraternal society or charitable or religious organization. Request must be made before burial. Payment is refused by any resources the decedent may have, including: burial reserves, life insurance, lump sum Social Security death benefit, VA benefits, and by contributions in excess of \$180.

Name of person completing this survey: Karen Kistler (Bureau of Policy, DPW)
Telephone #: 717-772-7830

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: TN

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ -0-

Funding agency:

(city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No

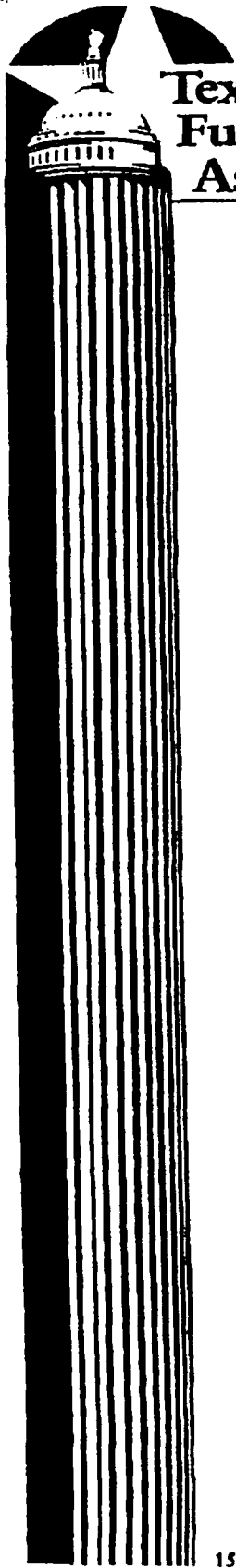
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately?

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Name of person completing this survey: Bob Bator
Telephone #: (615) 321-8792



Texas Funeral Directors Association

FAX ALERT

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Fax Number: (781) 335-3245

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FROM: Jim Garrison

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JB

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Texas

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

Adult \$ 450 for Funeral Home / \$ 150 for Cemetery

Funding agency:

Tarrant County Human Services (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

Family Can Make Contributions UP TO \$600 (450+150) & County Will Make UP The Difference Between \$600 and Contribution

If yes, is there a cap? No

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? County Pays Directly To Cemetery or Crematory

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? Can Be Billed Through Funeral Home

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

Name of person completing this survey:
Telephone #: (512) 442-2304

Jim Denon - Jim Garrison
Exec. Director
Texas FDA

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Virginia

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ See below

Funding agency:

State to County (city, town, county, state, other) see below

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

If yes, is there a cap?

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes (X) No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? Included

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home?

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

The State provides a \$500 General Relief fund to the County. The County has the authority to disburse this amount to shelter, clothing or burial. Some counties add to the burial fund, therefore some counties give \$0 to \$1,500.00. The counties vary in amount disbursed as per attached.

Name of person completing this survey: Joan McElmurry
Telephone #: 804-264-0505

Indigent Burials

As of this date, we have received 60% responses to our survey of funeral expenses for indigent burials. In tabulating our results, our findings are as follows:

1. The average funeral in Virginia costs \$1,882.81.
2. The lowest charge is \$1,017.00.
3. The highest charge is \$3,365.00.

In going over the amounts allocated by locality to the general relief burial plan, we find the following:

1. 21 localities do not provide any money.
2. 41 localities provide less than \$500.00.
3. 41 localities provide the maximum, \$500.00.
4. 24 localities contribute money over \$500.00.

Rates shown below indicate the maximum amount that a locality will pay from local funds. General relief plans in some instances explain that rates include such expenses as: mortician fees, vaults, grave openings and closings and transportation. It must also be recognized that the \$500 general relief payment maximum is a program feature and not applied only to burials; therefore any rate listed that exceeds \$500 must be met from local only funds or paid for from family contributions, available benefits and insurance.

Locality Name	Maximum Rate Allowed
Accomack	200
Albermarle	500
Alexandria	500
Alleghany/Covington	500
Amelia	100
Amherst	400
Appomattox	1,000
Arlington	500
Augusta	900
Bath	400
Bedford	—
Bland	500
Botetourt	500
Bristol	700
Brunswick	200
Buchanan	500
Buckingham	—
Buena Vista	900
Campbell	500
Caroline	—
Carroll	150
Charles City	500
Charlotte	250
Charlottesville	620
Cheapeake	1,030
Chesterfield/Colonial Heights	500
Clark	500
Clifton Forge	500
Craig	500
Culpeper	650
Cumberland	—
Danville	500
Dickenson	—
Dinwiddie	400
Essex	200

Fairfax	500
Fauquier	500
Floyd	600
Fluvanna	250
Franklin City	—
Franklin County	337
Frederick	550
Fredericksburg	300
Galax	—
Giles	600
Gloucester	—
Goochland	—
Grayson	250
Green	250
Greensville/Emporia	500
Halifax/South Boston	—
Hampton	255
Hanover	350
Harrisonburg	653
Henrico	692
Henry	600
Highland	500
Hopewell	—
Isle of Wight	350
James City	350
King and Queen	150
King George	400
King William	250
Lancaster	750
Lee	250
Loudoun	500
Louisa	500
Lunenburg	—
Lynchburg	425
Madison	300
Manassas City	500
Manassas Park	500
Martinsville	500
Mathews	1,000
Mecklenburg	—
Middlesex	200
Montgomery	500
Nelson	500
New Kent	—
Newport News	450
Norfolk	500
Northampton	265
Northumberland	250
Norton	300
Nottoway	100
Orange	—
Page	500
Patrick	—
Petersburg	—
Pittsylvania	500
Portsmouth	750
Powhatan	700
Prince Edward	200
Prince George	353
Prince William	500 0

Pulaski	500
Radford	650
Rappahannock	500
Richmond City	647
Richmond County	500
Roanoke City	255
Roanoke County/Salem	500
Rockbridge	—
Rockingham	500
Russell	400
Salem	—
Scott	300
Shenandoah	1,050
Smyth	500
Southampton	—
Spotsylvania	600
Stafford	300
Staunton	900
Suffolk	500
Surry	450
Sussex	500
Tazewell	500
Virginia Beach	500
Warren	500
Washington	300
Waynesboro	1,050
Westmoreland	—
Williamsburg	300
Winchester	965
Wise	200
Wythe	500
York/Poquoson	250



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Washington

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

from 250-1500, individual counties

Funding agency:

Counties (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

No - its all or nothing
If yes, is there a cap? _____

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc: Cremation,
direct only in most counties.
In largest county, they pay for a
memorial service as well.

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? separately

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? Crematory (since direct cremation) is usually billed through funeral home

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

We eliminated state funded funerals in 1994,
and each county adopted a plan. With only one county
being an exception, counties will NOT PAY ANYTHING if they are
any surviving relatives, regardless of their relationship
with decedent.

Name of person completing this survey: [Signature]

Telephone # 425 822-5507

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agree you*



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: WEST VIRGINIA

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 750.00

Funding agency:

STATE (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

yes
If yes, is there a cap? yes

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

() Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:
See ATTACHEE

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? See ATTACHEE

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? See ATTACHEE

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system: See ATTACHEE

Name of person completing this survey: Roger K. Price, Exec. Dir.
Telephone #: (204)-345-4711

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Appendix A

Application for Burial Expenses (OFS-BU-1)
Burial Billing Form (DF-67-A)

FUNERAL DIRECTORS HANDBOOK

I. Burial Rate

The burial rate quoted below is the MAXIMUM payment that will be disbursed by the Department.

THIS RATE INCLUDES THE TOTAL PAYMENT WHICH THE DEPARTMENT WILL MAKE TOWARD THE COST OF ALL FUNERAL RELATED EXPENSES. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS THIS RATE NEGOTIABLE REGARDLESS OF THE SITUATION OR SPECIFIC BURIAL PLAN DESIRED BY THE APPLICANT.

A. Burial Rate

The MAXIMUM burial rate paid by the Department is \$750.

B. Maximum Allowable Payment

The maximum allowable payment is a ceiling or limitation on the payment of a burial in which allowable merchandise is used and when the Department participates in the payment of the burial expense.

The maximum allowable PAYMENT is not to be confused with the burial RATE. The maximum burial RATE is the amount the Department will make toward the cost of all funeral related expenses.

The maximum allowable payment is used to establish eligibility for a burial payment in relation to the resources of the deceased and to contributions made by responsible relatives.

Finally, the maximum allowable payment is used to establish an amount of resources which may be received by the funeral director before these resources are applied to the appropriate burial rate.

The maximum allowable payment for a burial may not exceed \$1,950. The amount of resources that are EXEMPTED before being applied to the burial rate is \$1,200. (Exempted resources amount of \$1,200 + burial rate of \$750 = \$1,950.) THEREFORE, THE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE BURIAL COSTS WHEN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF RESOURCES RECEIVED BY THE FUNERAL DIRECTOR FOR A BURIAL IS MORE THAN \$1,950.00.

II. Merchandise and Interment Plans

The following instructions describe the casket and merchandise that must be used when the Department makes payment for burial. In addition, certain types of allowable interment plans are outlined.

The burial rate will include the funeral service, casket, outside concrete box, clothing and local transportation.

A. Merchandise

1. Casket and Outside Containers

The following is a description of the type of casket WHICH MUST BE USED when the Department is making payment of the burial rate:

A casket shall be at least but shall not exceed a Flat Top or Oval Top constructed with wood or wood products and covered with such exteriors as doeskin, lambskin, moleskin, plain or embossed cloth. The outside container shall consist of a wood or concrete box.

NO CASKET OR OUTSIDE CONTAINER OTHER THAN THAT AS DESCRIBED ABOVE SHALL BE USED UNLESS THE FUNERAL DIRECTOR HAS NO CASKET (as described above) AVAILABLE AND HE AGREES TO ABSORB THE HIGHER COST OF A MORE EXPENSIVE CASKET OR OUTSIDE CONTAINER.

IF ANYONE (e.g., relative, friend, etc.) PROVIDES A BETTER OR MORE EXPENSIVE CASKET OR OUTSIDE CONTAINER THAN THAT AS DESCRIBED ABOVE, THE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE PAYMENT OF THE BURIAL EXPENSES.

2. Cremation

The person who has made application for burial expenses may request that the deceased be cremated. Cremations are allowed under the burial program policy. However, the applicant and funeral director must understand that the \$750 burial rate and the maximum allowable payment of \$1,950 will apply to cremations as in any other interment plan.

II. Development of Resources

The development of resources is a joint responsibility of both the Department and the funeral director. The Department is responsible for developing resources from the estate by filing a claim with the County Clerk.

In addition, whenever the funeral director develops an amount of resources that exceeds the exempted resource amount (e.g. \$1,200) the Department will apply this amount to the burial rate. Finally, situations may occur when the amount of payment requested from the Department and/or the amount of resources due the funeral director exceeds the actual cost of the burial. When this occurs, the amount of payment requested from the Department will be reduced by the amount of the excess. (Please refer to Section IV, Billing Procedures.) When the funeral director receives resources which exceed the exempted resource amount AFTER payment is received from the Department, the Department must be reimbursed by the funeral director.

EXAMPLES:

1. \$1,245 Resources
 - \$1,200 Exempted resource amount
 \$ 45 Excess

 \$ 750 Burial rate
 - \$ 45 Excess
 \$ 705 Amount of payment received by the funeral director from the Department

 \$1,245 Resources
 - \$ 705 Burial Payment
 \$1,950 Maximum allowable payment (Total payment received by the funeral director)

2. The funeral director receives payment of resources on a burial for \$800:

 \$ 800 Resources
 - \$1,200 Exempted resource amount
 \$ 0 Excess

 \$ 750 Burial rate
 - \$ 0 Excess
 \$ 750 Amount of payment received by the funeral director from the Department.

\$ 800 Resources
+ \$ 750 Burial payment
\$ 1,550 Total payment received by the funeral director

In example #2, the funeral director is entitled to receive \$400 in additional resources before the maximum allowable payment of \$1,950 is reached. Assume that the funeral director receives \$800 in additional resources after the burial payment from the Department was received. The funeral director must reimburse the Department \$400 because the maximum allowable payment was exceeded by \$400.

The funeral director is also entitled to certain resources for the purpose of reducing his costs in providing the funeral service. However, when the Department makes payment for the burial, he is not entitled to resources beyond the exempted resource amount of \$1,200.

A. Resources Due the Department

The Department is entitled to receive resources from the following resources:

- The deceased's estate and
- Reducing the amount of the burial rate by applying that amount of resources (developed by the funeral director) which exceeds the exempted resource amount as explained above.

B. Resources That Exceed the Exempted Resource Amount

Whenever the funeral director receives an amount of resources that exceed the exempted resource amount, the Department shall reduce the amount of the appropriate burial rate on a dollar-for-dollar basis.

C. Resources Due the Funeral Director

1. Types of Resources

It is the responsibility of the funeral director to apply for and develop the following potential resources which may be available to meet burial expenses:

a. Statutory Death Benefit Plans

(1) Social Security

- (2) Veteran's Administration
 - (3) Workmen's Compensation
 - (4) United Mine Worker's Association
 - (5) Other statutory death benefits
- b. Private Death Benefit Plan
- (1) Life Insurance
 - (2) Prepaid Burial Trusts
 - (3) Other private death benefit plans
- c. Contributions from relatives and friends

2. Treatment of Resources

All resources will be treated alike, regardless of whether the deceased was a recipient of public assistance or any other type of benefit from the Department or other agencies. Please note that the treatment of resources discussed in this section is EXCLUSIVE of resources received by the Department from deceased's estate.

Resources obtained for a Burial:

Resources listed above under 1. Type of Resources of up to \$1,200 may be obtained by the Funeral Director toward the cost of a burial for a maximum allowance payment of \$1,950 before the resources are applied to the burial rate.

Examples:

<u>Resources</u>	<u>Department's Cost</u>	<u>Total Maximum Payment</u>
#1 \$1,200	\$750	\$1,950
#2 \$1,345	\$605	\$1,950

3. Reporting of Resources

Although the funeral director is entitled to certain resources up to a specific amount, ALL resources and the specific amounts MUST be accurately reported via DF-67-A form.

In order to prevent erroneous reporting of resources, the person who applies for burial benefits must report all resources on the application form. This includes resources available at the time of burial and resources received at a later date. (Such as statutory benefits.) Therefore, the Funeral Director should plan very carefully with the person who is applying for burial benefits to insure a complete understanding of the amount and type of resources to be applied toward the burial costs. Such arrangements regarding resources should be discussed only with the person who is applying for benefits.

IV. Billing Procedure

A. DF-67-A, Burial Billing Form

The Funeral Director is responsible for completing the burial billing form in an accurate and thorough manner. ALL items must be completed. The instructions for completing this form are listed on the reverse side of the form. This form must be signed and dated by the funeral director and be submitted to the local Human Resources office for processing.

BEFORE THE DF-67-A BURIAL BILLING FORM CAN BE PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT, AN APPLICATION* FOR BURIAL EXPENSES MUST HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE DECEASED INTERRED NOT MORE THAN 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF APPLICATION. IN ADDITION, THE BURIAL BILLING FORM MUST BE COMPLETED PER INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED ON THE FORM.

* (Refer to a sample of the form located in Appendix A at the end of this handbook.)

B. Computation procedure when the actual cost of burial is less than the amount requested from the Department and/or resources due the funeral director.

In order to use this computation procedure, it is first necessary to compute the amount of payment requested from the Department on the DF-67-A Burial Billing Form, Item #2 through Item #7.

Secondly, the actual cost incurred (merchandise and services) in providing the burial is used in computing the amount of payment entitled to the funeral director.

V. Time Limitation for Billing the Department of Health and Human Resources for Payment of Burials

A 30-day time limitation for billing the Department for applies to all burials.

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES WILL NOT HONOR PAYMENT OF ANY BURIAL IN WHICH THE DECEASED WAS INTERRED MORE THAN 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF APPLICATION.

Therefore, the funeral director should plan very carefully with the person who has taken the responsibility for making the burial arrangements. If that person contacts the funeral director prior to making application for payment of the burial expenses, the director, after carefully evaluating the situation to determine if indeed the person should be referred to the Department, should refer the person without delay if it appears that the person is in need of assistance from the Department. The director should contact the local Human Resources office to determine if the person made application for burial benefits and whether he is eligible for benefits under the Burial Program.

VI. Application for Payment of Burial Cost Made By the Funeral Director

Funeral directors may make application for payments of burial expenses for unclaimed bodies. The application should be completed at the local Human Services office and will be subject to all policy requirements as in any application that is received for payment of burial expenses.



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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Wisconsin

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$1,000

Funding agency:

State reimburses County (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

Yes

If yes, is there a cap? No

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

(X) Yes () No

If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc:

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? Separately

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? Direct from State via County. Limited to \$1,000 for cemetery expenses also.

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

We are in the process of working with The Governor to increase the amount to \$2,500. We are requesting that next budget include these funds. It has been 8 years since the amount was adjusted.

Name of person completing this survey: Mark Paget
Telephone #: (414) 453-3060

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INDIGENT FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Name of State: Wyoming

Amount reimbursed to funeral establishments for indigent funeral services:

\$ 1500

Funding agency: COUNTY OR STATE DEPENDING ON INDIGENT OR TITLE XIX, (city, town, county, state, other)

Can families or other persons contribute anything to the above payment?

YES
If yes, is there a cap? MINIMUM SERVICE

Does the agency mandate what services, merchandise and final form of disposition must be used?

(X) Yes () No
If yes, please list the services, merchandise, etc: MINIMUM SERVICE

Are cemetery and/or crematory charges (if allowed) included in the reimbursement or handled separately? SEPARATE

If handled separately, does the cemetery or crematory bill or receive payment from the agency directly or is it billed through the funeral home? DIRECT TO FAMILY OR AGENCY

Any other information that you could provide that could help us better understand your state's system:

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