

Social assistance

For people who have too little money to live on, social assistance provides support. The aim of this support is to help them become independent and self-sufficient. Social assistance is not insurance. It is state aid.

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Are you in a difficult situation or do you have serious financial worries? Do you have very little money to live on?

Social assistance can help you.

This assistance covers the basic needs of living here in Switzerland.

In addition to financial assistance, it also offers support from a social worker.

The aim of social assistance is to help people regain their financial and social independence to lead a life with dignity.

If you receive enough other assistance (e.g. unemployment benefits, a pension, a salary or parental support), then social assistance is not paid. Social assistance also does not repay debts.

Apply for social assistance

To apply for social assistance, contact the regional social service in your district.

You must provide information about your income and wealth, among other things.

Then the service will assess your application. And the canton will determine the type of assistance and the amount it will give based on your situation.

Social assistance may ask you to take action. They may set conditions. If you do not comply with these, the amount you receive may be reduced.

It is mandatory to attend interviews with your social worker.

And you must commit to doing everything you can to improve your situation.

Additional information (links, addresses, information sheets, brochures)

www.bonjour-jura.ch/en/social-security/social-assistance