

90-000.1. GENERAL RELIEF (GR) INTRODUCTION

**A.
General**

This section provides an introduction to the GR Program.

**B.
Authority**

The table below shows the authority for the GR Program.

Section	Quote
Welfare and Institutions Code (W&I) Division 9, Part 5 (Sections 17000-17410)	Every county and every city and county shall relieve and support all incompetent, poor, indigent persons, and those incapacitated by age, disease, or accident, lawfully resident therein, when such persons are not supported and relieved by their relatives or friends, by their own means, or by state hospitals or other state or private institutions.
San Diego County Administrative Code, Article XV-C (Sections 257-265)	This article establishes the San Diego County General Relief Program, to provide temporary relief and support in the amount authorized by the Board, to indigent residents of the County as authorized under the California Welfare and Institutions Code. Aid shall be provided in-kind or in cash or any combination of in-kind and cash aid. The value of any in-kind aid that is made available shall be deducted from the cash aid payment. General Relief shall be granted only to indigent residents of the County meeting the property limitations and other requirements set forth in this Article. General Relief shall be granted only after the filing of an application and all General Relief paid in cash shall be a repayable obligation.

**C.
Introduction**

The GR Program is a State-mandated, County-funded self-sufficiency program to support those eligible county residents who are not supported by other State or Federal self-sufficiency programs, or other resources.

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D. Program Guide

The GR Program Guide (PG) is a comprehensive and detailed summary of regulations, rules, policies, and operating procedures needed to properly carry out the responsibility to administer the GR Program. The GRPG will be cited as the source for all program regulations.

The organization of the GRPG is such that each chapter has a specific subject heading as well as a numeric designation. Subheadings are also identified by a numeric designation.

Eligibility Operations (EO) is responsible for the content and release of GRPG material. All PG material will be accompanied by a GRPG Letter, signed by the EO Director, containing a brief summary of the changes. Revised material in the PG will be designated by colored highlighting.

E. Temporary or Emergency Directives

Temporary or emergency program directives will be issued as Special Notices (SN). All such directives will include an effective date and an expiration date usually not later than 90 days subsequent to the effective date.

F. Questions

All questions pertaining to the intent or content of GRPG material should be directed to the Family Resource Center (FRC) Manager or designee, who will then request clarification through established lines of communication.
