

Burial Assistance Program

Eligibility Requirements

The Milwaukee County applicant does not meet the "Wisconsin Funeral and Cemetery Aids Program" state guidelines. The indigent decedent must have been a Milwaukee County resident for the past 60 days. The decedent and/or spouse must meet the program's income and asset guidelines. The funeral and burial costs cannot exceed \$2,500 (funeral) and \$1,500 (burial) respectively.

Application Process

The designated requestor of assistance (next of kin/ "arranger") must have completed both the funeral and burial or cremation arrangements prior to completing the application.

The designated requestor of assistance (next of kin/ "arranger") must bring the following:

- Signed funeral and burial or cremation agreements.
- Verification of residency (current utility bills, rent receipt and/or other date stamped mail)

Program Assistance

If the decedent is found to be eligible for assistance, a voucher is provided to the funeral home, cemetery or crematory. The amount of assistance depends on the type of service selected.

Funeral/Burial

Milwaukee County shall pay up to a maximum amount of \$400 as the combined cost for both funeral and cemetery charges (\$200 respectively), if the decedent is deemed eligible.

Funeral/Cremation

Milwaukee County shall pay up to a maximum amount of \$400 as the combined cost for both funeral and cremation charges, (\$200 respectively), if the decedent is deemed eligible.

For more information call (414) 289-6714



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