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Indigent Burial + Cremation
SUPPORT PROGRAM

A Brief History

Department of Human Services (ODJFS)

Defray costs of funeral, cremation, cemetery, and burial expenses

Section 5101.52 of the Revised Code
Rule 5101:1-2-90 of the Ohio Administrative Code

$750 maximum award (adult)
$500 maximum award (child)

Eliminated in 2011
Indigent DISPOSITION

Resurrected Program

State of Ohio Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors

4717-17 of the Ohio Administrative Code

Reimburse local government entities for costs

$1,000 maximum award (adult)

$750 maximum award (child)

Enacted in 2019

What happened in 18 years?

In 2017, Ohio had the second highest rate of drug overdose deaths involving opioids in the U.S.

Source: NIDA
What information do I need to submit with the application?

- An affidavit or statement of indigency status determined by the local government entity.

Please make sure you complete the required fields and upload the required documents as an attachment.
Receipts of charges + payments for goods and services

Statement of goods and services from the licensed funeral director

Cremation authorization form
Burial transit or disposition permit

If applicable, the contract or formal agreement between the local government entity and the funeral home to perform the final disposition of indigent persons for the local government entity.

Reimbursement
- $2 million appropriation
- $1 million for each fiscal year
- 88 counties
- $11,000 allotment for each county
Payment

- Payment is subject to the availability of funds
- Local government entity must register as a supplier with the State of Ohio
- Submit application + include required documents no later than 60 days after the registrar issues the burial transit permit or disposition permit

Get more information

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Visit the Supplier Portal for more information.

How do I access the Supplier Portal?

1. Go to [Supplier Portal]
2. Enter your user credentials
3. Access the portal to submit your application

For assistance, contact the Supplier Portal Help Center.