MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION 81-142

IN THE MATTER OF THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT, A RESOLUTION
ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS
GOVERNING COUNTY AID AND RELIEF TO INDIGENTS

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of
Mariposa, State of California, that from and after the date
hereof the following rules and regulations shall govern the
granting of General Relief and Emergency Aid to needy persons in
Mariposa County:

1. **Legal Basis:** General Relief and Emergency Aid shall
be granted to needy persons in the County in accordance with
Section 17000-17409 of the Welfare & Institutions Code in
compliance with the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of
Supervisors as set forth herein.

2. **General Relief Defined:** General Relief shall be
determined to be assistance granted to eligible persons as here-
inafter described on a continuing basis for an indefinite period
of time. General Relief requires approval of the Board of
Supervisors.

3. **Emergency Aid Defined:** Emergency Aid shall be
determined to be assistance granted to needy persons on a non-
continuing basis and for a period of emergency not to exceed
sixty days of continued assistance. Emergency Aid shall be of a
limited nature to be extended during periods of emergency situa-
tions. Emergency Aid may be approved by the County Welfare
Director.

4. **Purpose of General Relief:** The purpose of
General Relief is to provide necessary assistance to needy per-
sons as described herein who are not eligible for any other
assistance program.
5. Aid to be in Either Cash or Kind: Aid granted to meet basic needs for persons eligible for General Relief and/or Emergency Aid may be in cash or in kind, dependent upon the particular circumstances involved in the case and at the discretion of the Board of Supervisors or the Welfare Director.

6. Amounts of Aid: The amount of aid granted shall be in accordance with the Summary of Recommendations for the Establishment of Maximum General Assistance Grant Allowance for Mariposa County adopted by the Director of the Department of Social Welfare of Mariposa County and dated the 23rd day of December, 1980, which fixes the maximum amount of aid allowable and said amounts are hereby approved and incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

7. Employability: Unemployable persons not categorically eligible are required to present evidence by a certified physician to verify the extent of unemployability and the approximate duration of the illness.

An unemployed employable person shall be denied aid for himself and his family if he:

(a) Refuses to accept referral to the Department of Employment Development

(b) Refuses to actively seek work

(c) Refuses a reasonable offer of employment

(d) Refuses to accept assignment to a work or training post.

8. Residence Requirements for General Relief: A "resident" of Mariposa County for the purposes of receipt of General Relief is one as specified in Welfare and Institutions Code Section 17105.
9. **Personal Property Ownership Requirement for General Relief:** No person or family who owns personal property in excess of six hundred dollars ($600) current market value shall be eligible for General Relief or Emergency Aid. Personal property shall be defined as cash-on-hand, bank accounts, negotiable stocks, bonds, or other securities, cash surrender value of life insurance, that portion of a burial insurance in excess of six hundred dollars ($600) and that portion of the value of an automobile in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars ($1500) without regard to encumbrances as determined by the current Blue Book, but shall not include personal belongings such as furniture, clothing, or that portion of the value of burial insurance up to six hundred dollars ($600) or that portion of the value of an automobile up to one thousand five hundred dollars ($1500) as determined by the current Blue Book.

10. **Real Property Ownership Requirement for General Relief:** No person who owns real property or an interest therein in excess of three thousand five hundred dollars ($3500) total assessed valuation, regardless of the encumbrances thereon, shall be eligible for General Relief. Real property owned but not occupied as a home by an applicant for or recipient of General Relief shall be utilized to provide for the needs of the applicant or recipient. Mobile homes shall be considered as real property for the purpose of General Relief.

11. **Liens to be Taken:** Any person having an interest in real property at the time continuing General Relief is granted shall be required to sign a lien on such property.

12. **Welfare & Institutions Code Section 17400-17408**
regarding termination and recovery of assistance shall apply.

13. Income to be Considered: Applicants are required to apply for income from any source to which they may be entitled and all income available either in cash or in kind shall be considered in determining eligibility for General Relief or Emergency Aid.

14. Minors: Aid shall not be granted to any minor who is voluntarily residing outside the home of his or her parent(s) or guardian.

15. Responsible Relatives: Assistance from relatives and friends is requested.

16. Appeal: Any individual who is an applicant for or a recipient of General Relief and who is dissatisfied with any determination made by the County Welfare Department staff may request a hearing before the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors. This request must be in writing and must be filed with the Clerk of the Board within thirty days of the time the applicant or recipient of General Relief was informed of the determination with which he disagrees. The applicant or recipient may be represented by counsel or by a person of his choice. A decision of a majority of the Board will be final and binding both upon the applicant and/or recipient and the County. After the Board has rendered its decision, however, the applicant may seek judicial review in the court of proper jurisdiction by filing suit within ninety days of such decision.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa this 11th day of August, 1981, by the following vote:

AYES: MOFFITT, ERICKSON, TABER, BARRICK

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: DALTON

NOT VOTING: NONE

ATTEST:

[Signature]
WILLIAM H. MOFFITT, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

[Signature]
ELLEN BRONSON, County Clerk & Ex Officio Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

[Signature]
RICHARD DENHALTER, County Counsel
8/1/81