Virginia

NOTE: The Social Security Administration was not able to obtain current information from the state. Data shown are for 2001 with the exception of the federal benefit rate, which is for 2002.

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

Administration: No recipients.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Department of Social Services.

Effective date: July 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: Code of Virginia Annotated 63.1-106, 63.1-124, and 63.1-25.1.

Funding
Administration: 80 percent state funds; 20 percent local funds.

Assistance: 80 percent state funds; 20 percent local funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Local Departments of Social Services.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to needy aged, blind, and disabled persons who live in an assisted living facility (domiciliary institution) or in an approved adult family care home and who are eligible for SSI benefits or would be eligible except for excess income. Children are not eligible for optional supplementation.

Resource limitations: Same as federal.

Income exclusions: Same as federal. In addition, when applicable, a disregard for income allotted to the support of children or spouse at home is allowed.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: None.

Responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels (in dollars)

Living arrangement	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Assisted living facility [a]				
Planning District 8	1,009.00	2,009.00	464.00	1,192.00
All other areas	886.00	1,765.00	341.00	948.00
Adult family care home [b]				
Planning District 8	655.00	1,303.00	110.00	486.00
All other areas	579.00	1,151.00	34.00	334.00

NOTE: Planning District 8 includes the counties of Arlington, Loudon, Prince William, Fairfax, and the city of Alexandria.

a. Represents the maximum allowance; lower amounts may be paid depending on the cost of the facility. Includes a personal needs allowance of $57 and a 15 percent differential in Planning District 8.

b. Administered in localities whose local boards have opted to provide this service, effective August 1982; includes a personal needs allowance that is now $57.

DEFINITIONS:
Assisted living facility. Must be licensed. Four or more persons receive care.

Adult family care home. A foster care arrangement with no more than three persons but usually only one person. No license required, but approval by local department of social services is required.

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2002

Living arrangement	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled adults
All recipients	[a] 6,705	2,908	18	3,739
Assisted living facility	6,677	2,899	15	3,723
Adult family care home	28	9	3	16

a. Data are for 2001.

State Assistance for Special Needs

State does not provide assistance for special needs.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: State guidelines.

Determined by: State.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration does not obtain this information.