

Unearned Income

EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME ASSISTANCE (EIA)

Unearned income is any money you receive from any source other than wages from a job or the net revenue from farm or business operations. Unearned income can be money you receive in one payment, a number of payments or as a regular payment.

You must tell Employment and Income Assistance (EIA) about all money you receive from any source. In most cases, unearned income is a resource for you to use to support yourself. In these cases, EIA will provide you with the amount of assistance that is the difference between your unearned income and your budget with EIA.

EXAMPLES OF UNEARNED INCOME WHICH YOU MAY BE EXPECTED TO USE TO SUPPORT YOURSELF ARE:

- pension benefits including:
 - Canada Pension Plan
 - Old Age Security
 - Allowance for the Survivor
 - Guaranteed Income Supplement
 - Department of Veterans Affairs pensions and allowances
 - Workers Compensation;
 - funds assisting persons with mental disabilities
 - private pension plan benefits and other retirement benefits
 - disability or survivor's payments

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- Age of Majority allowances;
- child support and maintenance payments;
- Employment Insurance;
- training allowances;
- rental income or income received from providing board and room;
- money you receive from the sale or transfer of real or personal property;
- income from investments;
- income-in-kind, such as when someone pays for goods or services for you.

It is important that you report all money you receive from any source to your worker as soon as possible. If you have any questions or are unsure how your unearned income will affect your eligibility with EIA, please contact your worker.

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