

the last year of which shall be continuous and immediately precede such application;

(b) Has not sufficient income or other resources to provide a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health;

(c) Is not an inmate of any public institution at the time of receiving assistance. An inmate of such an institution may, however, make application for such assistance, but the assistance, if granted, shall not begin until after he ceases to be an inmate;

(d) Is not receiving old age assistance;

(e) Has not made an assignment for transfer of property within three (3) years immediately prior to the filing of application pursuant to the provisions of this sub-title;

(f) Has no child or other person responsible under the laws of this State for his or her support and able to support him or her, provided that if such child or other person is partially able to support the applicant, such partial support shall be taken into consideration in fixing the amount of any public assistance that may be granted.

1936 (Sp. Sess.), ch. 145, sec. 20. 1937 (Sp. Sess.), ch. 4, sec. 20.

**16.** (Amount of Assistance.) The amount of public assistance which any recipient shall receive shall be determined by the County Board with due regard to the resources and necessary expenditures of the individual and the conditions existing in each case and in accordance with the rules and regulations made by the State Board, and shall be sufficient, when added to all other income and support of the recipient, to provide him with a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health, but the said grant shall not in any case exceed a total of thirty dollars a month.

1936 (Sp. Sess.), ch. 145, sec. 21. 1937 (Sp. Sess.), ch. 4, sec. 21.

**17.** (Application for Assistance to the Needy Blind.) Application for public assistance under this sub-title shall be made to the County Board of the county in which the applicant resides. The application shall be in writing or reduced to writing in the manner and upon the form prescribed by the State Board. Such application shall contain a statement of the amount of property, both personal and real, in which the applicant has an interest, including property held jointly or as tenants by the entireties, and of all income, which he may have at the time of the filing of the application, and such other information as may be prescribed by the State Board. All assistance granted and/or payments made on applications heretofore signed by the applicant and witnessed shall be deemed valid payment for the purposes of this Article.

1936 (Sp. Sess.), ch. 145, sec. 22.

**18.** (Investigation of Applications.) Whenever a County Board receives an application for assistance under this sub-title, an investigation and record shall promptly be made of the circumstances of the applicant to ascertain the facts supporting the application made under this sub-title and such other information as may be required by the rules of the State Board.