



RIVER FOREST TOWNSHIP

BUILDING ON 100 YEARS OF VITAL HUMAN SERVICES

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To Carla Sloan, Township Supervisor, and River Forest Trustees:

General Assistance is a locally administered welfare program that provides financial assistance to unemployed or disabled River Forest residents in accordance with the Illinois Department of Human Services guidelines. It also offers referrals and information regarding eligibility for other programs providing assistance with finances, career planning and placement and mental health counseling.

River Forest Township adheres to the guidelines provided by the Township Officials of Illinois in the General Assistance Handbook. Qualified clients receive financial assistance toward food and shelter expenses.

In addition, clients receive services including case management, job search guidance, help with Social Security Disability eligibility, social service agency referrals, and the Holiday Food and Gift Basket Program.

Sincerely,

Avis S. Rudner
General Assistance Administrator

In the past year, General Assistance has provided a variety of services:

- 2 unique clients received financial assistance toward shelter and personal expenses
- 2 residents received counseling when assistance was requested
- 4 River Forest households received Holiday Food and Gift Baskets

Prevail of Illinois (part of Housing Forward) works with our GA clients to update and enhance their resumes and to assist with job seeking, interviewing and job retention skills.

Residents who are not eligible for General Assistance and requesting assistance are referred to Prevail for financial and employment counseling.