

What is my Allowable Fee/Rent?

The Allowable Fee is what you pay the Residential Facility every month by combining the RSS benefit with your income. The Allowable Fee (or “rent”) amount that Residential Facilities may charge residents with RSS is \$1,600* per month.

The monthly rent includes Accommodations, Supervision, and Personal Care Services. After paying the Allowable Fee to the operator, you should have about \$200 remaining for your Personal Needs Allowance each month.



What if I am no longer enrolled in RSS and I still receive a payment?

You or your Representative Payee are responsible for returning any RSS funds received after your effective disenrollment date. Please visit the program’s website to learn how to return the RSS payment at mha.ohio.gov/RSS.

How do I apply for RSS?

All forms to complete your RSS application are available at mha.ohio.gov/RSS.

Please submit the application to OhioMHAS via encrypted email to RSS@mha.ohio.gov or fax to **(614) 485-9747**.

**FIND MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT RSS AT:
mha.ohio.gov/RSS**



Residential State Supplement (RSS) Program

*Helping adults with disabilities
live in the community*



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What is Residential State Supplement (RSS)?

The Residential State Supplement (RSS) program provides financial and Medicaid assistance to adults with disabilities who want to live in the community.

Enrollees combine the RSS benefit with their income to pay the monthly Allowable Fee (or “rent”) to eligible facilities in the community.

RSS is one OhioMHAS program that helps people by supporting sustainable, person-centered transitions so individuals can live and recover within integrated communities.

What are my responsibilities to remain in RSS?

- You must choose an eligible living arrangement in the community to remain enrolled in RSS. Eligible living arrangements include Class Two Residential Facilities (RF2’s) licensed by OhioMHAS.
- You should provide OhioMHAS and your local CDJFS office any requested information to determine your ongoing RSS eligibility.

When should I contact OhioMHAS?

- Before you move to a new residence to confirm whether you will be living in an eligible Residential Facility or choosing to disenroll from RSS.
- If you are admitted to a nursing home or hospital. If you plan to return within ninety (90) days, then you may continue receiving RSS and paying rent to the Residential Facility.
- If you think your rights as a resident are being violated.

Contact OhioMHAS Community Integration via phone at **(614) 752-9316** or email at RSS@mha.ohio.gov.

What are the Residential Facility’s responsibilities?

- The Residential Facility must accept the Allowable Fee (or “rent”) of \$1,600* as payment in full for Accommodations, Supervision, and Personal Care Services.
- Provide a Resident Agreement, which should include any possible fees for additional services the facility may offer. The Resident Agreement should be reviewed and agreed to in writing by you or your Legal Guardian before you move into the Residential Facility.
- The Facility Operator must participate in the RSS Verification Process quarterly to remain an eligible living arrangement for the program.

** The Allowable Fee/rent amount was increased to \$1,600 per month effective July 1, 2023.*

What should I expect once I am enrolled in RSS?

OhioMHAS is responsible for RSS and works with County Department of Job & Family Services (CDJFS) offices statewide to determine eligibility.

Once your application is approved, you will be enrolled in RSS Medicaid and receive your first RSS benefit within one month of moving into the Residential Facility. You or your Representative Payee will receive the RSS payment monthly.

If you or your Representative Payee do not receive your RSS benefit as expected, contact your local CDJFS office to confirm the mailing address or bank account information.

When should I contact my local CDJFS office?

- Within ten (10) days of any changes, including if you are planning to move, have changes in income, have updated information about your Representative Payee or Legal Guardian, or will begin a waiver program.
- When you have questions about your financial eligibility for RSS, including changes in income and the amount of your RSS benefit.
- If you want to have RSS payments directly deposited into your or your Representative Payee’s bank account.