15. Participation Achievement Bonus

Payment may be made for participation achievement bonus as follows:

WV WORKS Activity	RAPIDS Component	Limitations
Community Service Programs	CS	
CWEP	CW	
EIP	EI	1
Employment Assistance Program	EA	Payments may not exceed
Employment: Unsubsidized, Subsidized, Full- or Part-time	FU FV, FB, PU, PV, PB	\$50/month per PIN
Job Search and Job Readiness	JR	Participant may use Holiday or Excused Absence Hours to meet minimum participation
JOIN	JN	hours for receipt of this bonus. In a 2-parent
Other Agency's OJTs	OJ	household where both parents are participating to
Other Work Experience Programs	WE	meet the minimum requirement, each parent may
Providing Child Care for Community Service Participant	CC	receive the bonus. Refer to Section 24.3,A for minimum participation requirements.
Vocational Educational Training	VT	participation requirements.
		Time sheets received more than 3 months past the month of participation are ineligible for this payment.

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16. WV WORKS Emergency Assistance Payment

The WV WORKS Emergency Assistance Payment is intended to cover any emergency need that is considered a barrier to employment. Multiple payments may be issued under this category. Payments issued to the individual require a receipt before any further support service payments may be issued. Recipient must not be in a current sanction for non-compliance to receive assistance from this payment. Recipient must not be eligible for any other community or Department benefit that would cover the specific item(s) of need. Evictions, foreclosures, and disconnect payments must continue service for a minimum of 30 days.

a. Rent/Mortgage Payment and/or Deposit

Recipient must have a pending eviction or foreclosure. Payment may be used for a new residence when applicant is homeless or landlord will not accept payment to eliminate the emergency. A tenant-landlord relationship must have existed for payment of rent and a legal notice of eviction or wrongful occupation has been filed with the local magistrate. An imminent foreclosure notice must be obtained for a mortgage payment. When the customer is homeless, his statement or a collateral contact may be accepted as verification of need for payment.

b. Utility Disconnects and/or Deposits

Gas, electric, water, and sewage are Public Service Commission (PSC) regulated utilities. Bulk fuels such as bottled gas, fuel oil, coal, and wood are non-PSC regulated. Payments may be authorized for clients who are without the service or who face imminent termination of these services.

c. Household Supplies or Furnishings

Payment may include, but is not limited to, items such as furniture, bedding, fire escape stairs, eating and cooking utensils, towels and linens, or an appliance. Appliances are limited to: washer, dryer, hot water tank, refrigerator or stove and must not be provided to renters when landlord is responsible. A home visit may be required to verify need.

d. Emergency Transportation

Any transportation emergency may be authorized for payment when all other resources have been used.