3-001.01A Rent: The GA administrator may authorize GA payment for rent if needed. The GA administrator shall negotiate with the landlord to pay the lowest possible rent amount. The GA administrator may authorize a monthly maximum for shelter of -

Household Size	Max. Rate
1	\$ 325.00 \$425
2	325.00 \$425
3	375.00 \$475
4 or more	375.00 \$475 (amended 1-18-95) (amended 1-23-02) (amended 4-8-20)

This maximum includes rent/mortgage and utilities. The amount of payment may be applied to both or either. The maximum payment for GA households who share living arrangements shall not exceed the maximum rates here nor shall they exceed the GA unit's proportionate share of the household obligation. Payments cannot be made to relatives unless it can be verified this need thru documented medical or psychological sources. Payments will not be used for deposits.

3-001.01C <u>Utilities</u>: Utilities included in the basic shelter allotment. Payment may be made for basic utilities as needed. Before authorizing payment, the GA administrator shall investigate with the applicant his/her eligibility for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (see Nebraska Administrative Code Title 476). GA must not be used to pay utility deposits or telephone service(amended 3-6-2002). Payment for the following items may be authorized:

- 1. Electricity;
- 2. Fuel for heating;
- 3. Water; and
- 4. Garbage removal.
- 5. Telephone service not to exceeed \$50. (amended 3-6-2002)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given the Dodge County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing at 9:15 A.M., April 8, 2020 in the Board Room, Third Floor, Courthouse, Fremont, Nebraska. The hearing is to consider amending the General Assistance Program Guidelines specifically increases the amount of rent paid to landlords by \$100. Copies of the proposed amendments are available for public inspection at the office of County Clerk.