

Passport Program Quick Fact Sheet

WHAT IS THE PASSPORT PROGRAM?

Passport Program is an Ontario Government reimbursement program that provides funding to adults 18 years or older with a developmental disability to participate in their community. If you are eligible for Passport funding, you will receive the base funding of \$5,500 a year. After your application is reviewed you may be eligible for more funding.

WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH THE PASSPORT PROGRAM?

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

- Participate in programs and activities in your community
- Cost of supplies needed for program or activity
- Transportation to programs or activities
- Hiring a support worker
- Can be used to develop work, volunteer and daily life skills

SUPPORT WORKER

Hiring a support worker to support you to participate in community programs and activities. A Support Worker can also provide respite for a caregiver.

PERSON-DIRECTED PLANNING

You can use your Passport funding to help plan for your future and set goals for yourself. You can use a maximum of \$2,500 of your funding for this.

FUNDING FOR TECHNOLOGY AND ASSISTIVE DEVICES

You may be able to use your Passport funding to pay for devices that may help you stay connected and engaged at home. You may need to find out if the device is approved before you buy it. Contact your Passport One agency to find out or check on the [Passport Program website](#). Some examples of devices are:

- Laptops and tablets;
- Online educational and e-learning activities and resources;
- Remote monitoring devices and medical alert services and devices

REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Passport Program is a reimbursement program. This means you pay for the activity first, then submit a receipt to your local Passport Program Agency and they will refund you the money.

Example:

1. John wants to participate in a community program
2. The program will cost \$100
3. He pays the community organization \$100 first and receives a receipt
4. He sends the receipt to the Passport One for approval
5. Once approved, Passport One gives him back \$100

Some items that are not covered by Passport Program may include:

- Housing costs
- Groceries
- Household items

HOW TO GET PASSPORT FUNDING?

- To be eligible for Passport Funding you will need to connect with your local [Developmental Services Ontario \(DSO\)](#).
- To access the Passport Program website and learn more click [here](#).

QUESTIONS?

Find out more about the [Passport Program](#) and updates