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August 2008 Shelter Rate Changes

	SAP/TEA Shelter Allowance						SRHS Maximums					
	Current		Proposed		Change		Current		Proposed		Change	
	\$	Shelter to April 2008 Rent Ratio	\$	Shelter to April 2008 Rent Ratio	\$	%	\$	SRHS to April 2008 Rent Ratio	\$	SRHS to April 2008 Rent Ratio	\$	%
Tier A												
Single FE	\$265	45%	\$297	50%	\$32	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single NFE	\$370	62%	\$416	70%	\$46	12%	\$158	27%	\$238	40%	\$80	50%
Childless couple	\$385	62%	\$437	70%	\$52	14%	\$165	26%	\$250	40%	\$85	51%
1-2 children	\$470	59%	\$555	70%	\$85	18%	\$134	17%	\$238	30%	\$104	77%
3-4 children	\$545	59%	\$651	70%	\$106	19%	\$155	17%	\$279	30%	\$124	80%
5+ children	\$600	58%	\$719	70%	\$119	20%	\$172	17%	\$308	30%	\$136	79%
Tier B												
Single FE	\$250	52%	\$250	52%	\$0	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single NFE	\$320	67%	\$335	70%	\$15	5%	\$131	27%	\$192	40%	\$61	46%
Childless couple	\$365	74%	\$365	74%	\$0	0%	\$142	29%	\$198	40%	\$56	39%
1-2 children	\$410	74%	\$410	74%	\$0	0%	\$116	21%	\$167	30%	\$51	44%
3-4 children	\$475	73%	\$475	73%	\$0	0%	\$137	21%	\$195	30%	\$58	42%
5+ children	\$530	73%	\$530	73%	\$0	0%	\$151	21%	\$217	30%	\$66	44%
Tier C												
Single FE	\$245	62%	\$245	62%	\$0	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single NFE	\$300	76%	\$300	76%	\$0	0%	\$113	29%	\$158	40%	\$45	40%
Childless couple	\$345	71%	\$345	71%	\$0	0%	\$132	27%	\$194	40%	\$62	47%
1-2 children	\$400	70%	\$400	70%	\$0	0%	\$112	20%	\$172	30%	\$60	53%
3-4 children	\$445	70%	\$445	70%	\$0	0%	\$124	20%	\$190	30%	\$66	53%
5+ children	\$490	71%	\$490	71%	\$0	0%	\$138	20%	\$208	30%	\$70	51%
Tier D												
Single FE	\$225	68%	\$225	68%	\$0	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single NFE	\$285	86%	\$285	86%	\$0	0%	\$97	29%	\$133	40%	\$36	37%
Childless couple	\$330	87%	\$330	87%	\$0	0%	\$111	30%	\$149	40%	\$38	34%
1-2 children	\$370	81%	\$370	81%	\$0	0%	\$89	20%	\$137	30%	\$48	53%
3-4 children	\$410	79%	\$410	79%	\$0	0%	\$100	19%	\$155	30%	\$55	55%
5+ children	\$435	69%	\$441	70%	\$6	1%	\$122	19%	\$188	30%	\$66	54%

Note: Single persons and childless couples are qualified for SRHS supplement only if they have disability

SAP – Social Assistance Program
 TEA – Transitional Employment Allowance
 SRHS – Saskatchewan Rental Housing Supplement

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Provincial Training Allowance (PTA) Schedule – August 1, 2008

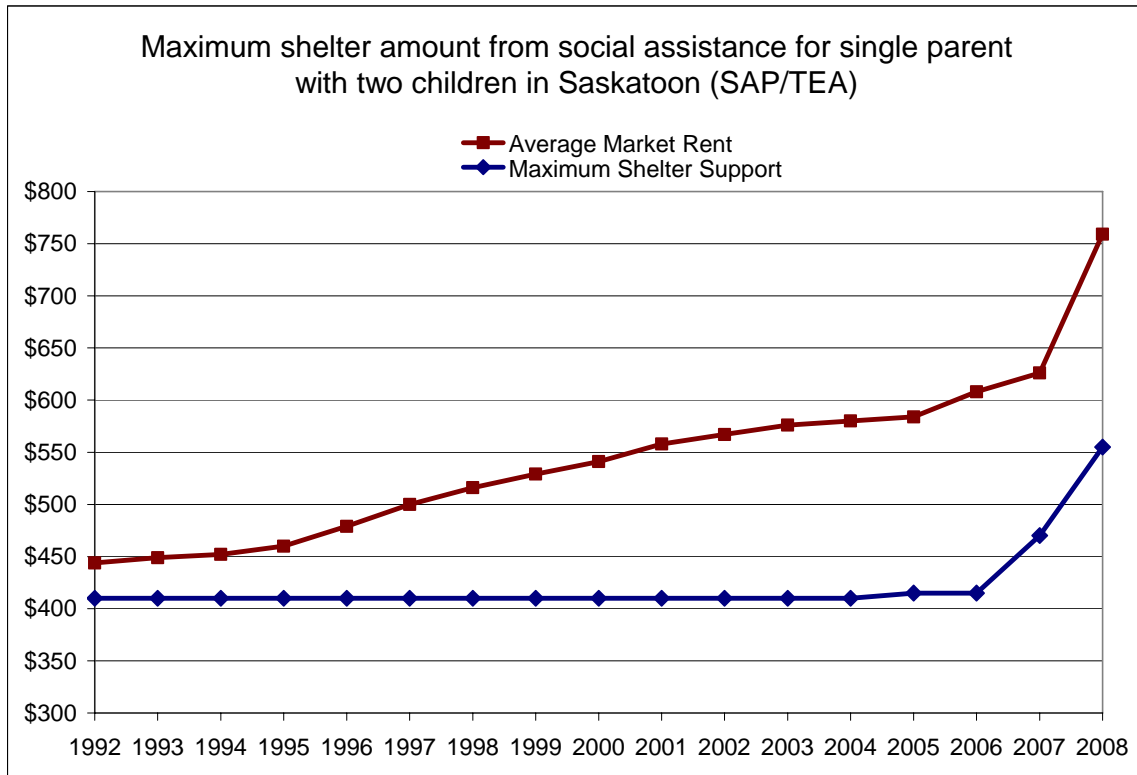
	Current	Proposed	Change	% Increase
Single Away from Home	\$335	\$367	\$32	10%
Married	\$455	\$507	\$52	11%
Married with Children				
• 1 Child	\$515	\$602	\$87	17%
• 2 Children	\$575	\$697	\$122	21%
• 3 Children	\$635	\$792	\$157	25%
• 4 Children	\$695	\$887	\$192	28%
• 5 Children	\$755	\$982	\$227	30%
Single Parent				
• 1 Child	\$495	\$555	\$60	12%
• 2 Children	\$555	\$650	\$95	17%
• 3 Children	\$615	\$745	\$130	21%
• 4 Children	\$675	\$840	\$165	24%
• 5 Children	\$715	\$915	\$200	28%

The PTA provides a flat rate living allowance based on family size and does not consider the community you live in.

Canada – Saskatchewan Integrated Student Loan Program shelter rates.

Student Category	2007-08	2008-09	Percentage Increase
Single Student living Away from Home (these students are expected to share a two bedroom apartment)	\$335	\$377	13%
Single Parent (two bedroom apartment)	\$538	\$638	19%
Married Student (one bedroom apartment)	\$670	\$753	12%
Each Dependant Child.	\$110	\$115	5%

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The following communities will now be included in Tier A.

Regina CMA	Saskatoon CMA
Balgonie (Town)	Allan (Town)
Belle Plaine (Village)	Asquith (Town)
Buena Vista (Village)	Bradwell (Village)
Disley (Village)	Clavet (Village)
Edenwold (Village)	Colonsay (Town)
Grand Coulee (Village)	Dalmeny (Town)
Lumsden (Town)	Delisle (Town)
Lumsden Beach (Resort village)	Dundurn (Town)
Pense (Village)	Elstow (Village)
Pilot Butte (Town)	Langham (Town)
Regina Beach (Town)	Martensville (Town)
White City (Town)	Meacham (Village)
	Osler (Town)
	Shields (Resort village)
	Thode (Resort village)
	Vanscoy (Village)
	Warman (Town)

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Housing Income Limits (HILs) as Established by CMHC

Location	2003 One Bdrm	2008 One-Bdrm	% Difference	2003 Two Bdrm	2008 Two-Bdrm	% Difference
Regina, Saskatoon	\$19,500	\$23,000	18%	\$23,500	\$28,000	19%
Other Urban	\$19,500	\$20,500	5%	\$23,500	\$24,500	4%

Per Diem Rates Paid for Emergency Shelter Space

Type of Space	Previous Rates	New Rates
Singles	Ranged from \$25-\$40/day	\$45/day plus meals
Families	\$42/room/day	\$60/day plus meals
Meals	\$20/person/day	\$20/person/day (<i>no change</i>)