

**The Financial Trustee may assist with applying for /completing (depending on need and eligibility):**

- Housing
- Canada Pension Plan Benefits
- Old Age Security Benefits
- Guaranteed Income Supplement
- Disability Tax Credit
- RDSP's
- Child Tax Credit
- Universal Child Tax Credit
- Social Insurance Numbers
- Birth Certificates
- Saskatchewan Health Cards
- Saskatchewan Disability Housing Supplement
- Saskatchewan Housing Grants
- Income Tax Preparation



**SIGN Financial Trustee Program**

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## **PURPOSE:**

To assist clients who have financial difficulties and/or assist clients who do not understand how to budget and insure that their basic needs are met. The Trustee will act as an advocate on behalf of the client and will connect them to supplements and supports that they may be unaware of.

## **WHO CAN APPLY:**

- Anyone registered with the Ministry of Social Services can speak with their Assured Income Specialist and request to use the SIGN Financial Trustee Program.
- Referrals are also accepted from other agencies and from individuals (fee for services)



## **SERVICES OFFERED:**

- Financial trusteeship (through the Ministry of Social Services, or fee for service)
- Support and reassurance
- Teaching of skills related to budgeting and monthly monies
- Facilitate re-location
- Advocacy in what ever capacity is needed
- Referrals to other community supports that would benefit the client

In the initial interview with the Trustee, the client's budget will be determined based on their needs and income. All factors such as rent, utilities, groceries, spending money and any other associated debt, as well as all available income will be taken into consideration. The client will need to provide the Trustee with utility bills as well as any other documentation of outstanding debt. The Trustee will take the responsibility of paying all clients' expenses and will provide client with grocery and spending money.

The Trustee will make recommendations to refer clients to other community supports that they may qualify for and that will be beneficial to them. The clients involvement with these additional supports is strictly voluntary.