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# Sponsorship Cost Table

Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) has developed a Sponsorship Cost Table to provide sponsoring groups with an estimate of the financial resources required to support a refugee family for twelve months. Recognizing varying levels of cost of living in different regions across Canada, this table serves as a financial guideline and is roughly based on the rates of social assistance.

## *Sponsorship Cost Table*

The following Sponsorship Cost Tables are taken from CIC's Financial Guideline as provided in the Refugee Sponsorship Application Kit. These costs are updated in March 2014, and please consult CIC's website [www.cic.gc.ca](http://www.cic.gc.ca) for the most current figures.

Family Size	12 Months of Income Support	Start-up Costs	Estimated Total Annual Settlement Cost (\$)
1	9,800	2,800	12,600
2	16,800	4,400	21,200
3	17,700	5,300	23,000
4	20,000	7,000	27,000
5	22,500	7,200	29,700
6	24,500	8,000	32,500
<b>Additional member</b>	1,550	1,000	2,500

### *Start-up Costs*

Start-up costs include a one-time payment for:

- ❖ household items
- ❖ furniture
- ❖ linens
- ❖ food staples
- ❖ (winter) clothing
- ❖ deposit for utilities
- ❖ phone installation
- ❖ first month's rent

### *Income Support*

Please note that these figures are estimates and represent a guideline for the minimum amount of funds required. The costs of housing, food, and transportation can vary according to the age of dependants and locality.