

ORDINANCE NO. 1308

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF GLENN AMENDING THE GLENN COUNTY ORDINANCE CODE BY
AMENDING TITLE 2, CHAPTER 260, RELATING TO THE HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR AND TITLE 2,
CHAPTER 440, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES – GENERAL ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF GLENN ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The Glenn County Ordinance Code is amended by amending Title 2, Chapter 260, to read in its entirety as follows:

**Chapter 2.260
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR**

Sections:

- 2.260.010 *Office Created.***
- 2.260.020 *Appointment.***
- 2.260.030 *Duties.***
- 2.260.040 *Staff.***

2.260.010 Office Created.

There is created in and for the county, the office of Health and Human Services Director.

2.260.020 Appointment.

The Health and Human Services Director for the county shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors and shall hold the office at the pleasure of the board. In addition to such other qualifications as deemed necessary by the board, the Health and Human Services Director shall possess those qualifications set forth in Section 5607 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

2.260.030 Duties.

The Health and Human Services Director shall be responsible for the following duties. The Health and Human Services Director may delegate the roles of Mental Health Director, Alcohol and Drug Program Administrator, County Welfare Director, Public Health Nursing Director, and Public Guardian/Public Administrator upon approval of the Board of Supervisors.

- A. The duties of Mental Health Director as set forth in Sections 5600 et seq., of the Welfare and Institutions Code;
- B. The County Alcohol Program, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 11795) of Part 2 of Division 10.5 of the Health and Safety Code;
- C. The County Drug Program, pursuant to the provisions of Article 1 (commencing with Section 11960) of Chapter 2 of Part 3 of Division 10.5 of the Health and Safety Code;
- D. The duties of the County Welfare Director as set forth in Section 10800 et seq. of the Welfare and Institutions Code;
- E. The administrative responsibility over Public Health. The County Health Officer shall report to the Health and Human Services Director only concerning the administrative duties of the County Health Officer; but the County Health Officer shall not be responsible to the Health and Human Services Director

concerning his or her duties set forth in Section 452 of the Health and Safety Code and other provisions of law;

- F. The duties of Public Health Nursing Director as set forth in 17 CCR Section 1301
- G. The duties of Public Guardian as set forth in GC Section 27430-27436 and Public Administrator as set forth in GC Section 27440-27444.
- H. Other duties as assigned by the Board of Supervisors.

2.260.040 Staff.

The Board of Supervisors shall furnish the Health and Human Services Director with such staff and funds as will enable him or her to perform properly the duties as set forth above.

SECTION 2: The Glenn County Ordinance Code is amended by amending Title 2, Chapter 440, to read in its entirety as follows:

**Chapter 2.440
SOCIAL SERVICES
GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM¹**

Sections:

- 2.440.010** *Program Adopted.*
- 2.440.020** *Purpose of Adoption.*
- 2.440.030** *Standards Established.*
- 2.440.040** *Standards--Approval and Adoption.*
- 2.440.050** *Standards--Revisions.*
- 2.440.060** *Operating Policy-Establishment.*
- 2.440.070** *Operating Policy-Revisions.*
- 2.440.080** *Determination of Eligibility.*
- 2.440.090** *Method of Payment.*
- 2.440.100** *Determination of Kindred Responsibility.*
- 2.440.110** *Appeal.*
- 2.440.120** *Variances.*
- 2.440.130** *False Statement a Misdemeanor.*

2.440.010 Program Adopted.

There is adopted an indigent relief program for the county, to be known as the general assistance program. The general assistance program shall be the means by which the Board of Supervisors, under the Welfare and Institutions Code of the state of California, discharges its responsibility to provide aid for indigent residents of Glenn County; and by which the board exercises, under said code, its authority to provide emergency relief for needy nonresidents living within Glenn County.

2.440.020 Purpose of Adoption.

The general assistance program is adopted to assure uniform operation of indigent relief activities throughout the county; to promote, protect and secure the general welfare of the people thereof and to assist and encourage indigents to be self-supporting.

¹ For the statutory provisions regarding County Aid to Indigent Persons, see Welfare and Institutions Code § 17000 et seq.

2.440.030 Standards Established.

The Glenn County Social Services General Assistance Program within the Health and Human Services Agency shall list the basic requirements of all people for decent, healthy, minimum standards of living and shall assign money values to each of the requirements in accordance with the minimum costs of the requirements. The department shall also list the special requirements of some persons for decent and healthy living and shall assign money values to each of the special requirements in accordance with the minimum costs of the special requirements. These basic and special requirements expressed in money figures shall be known as the standards of general assistance.

2.440.040 Standards-Approval and Adoption.

The standards of general assistance shall be submitted by the Glenn County Health and Human Services Agency to the Board for approval and adoption.

2.440.050 Standards-Revisions.

After adoption, the standards of general assistance shall be revised upward or downward by the Glenn County Health and Human Services Agency as the costs of the basic and special requirements vary, but such revisions shall have prior approval and adoption by the board before becoming effective.

2.440.060 Operating Policy-Establishment.

The Health and Human Services Agency shall develop detailed operating policies and procedures based on this chapter, and shall submit these for review and approval of the board. Such policies and procedures shall become effective upon approval by the board.

2.440.070 Operating Policy-Revisions.

Revisions, deletions or additions of operating policies and procedures as developed by the Health and Human Services Agency, shall be submitted for review and approval of the board before becoming effective.

2.440.080 Determination of Eligibility.

- A. Eligibility for general assistance shall be determined by the Glenn County Health and Human Services Agency by measuring an applicant's readily available resources against the established standards of general assistance. Those persons, found to have such resources in lesser amounts than their needs as determined by the standards of general assistance, shall be considered to be eligible for general assistance insofar as need is concerned.
- B. Eligibility for general assistance, insofar as residence is concerned, shall be determined by the Agency in accordance with the Welfare and Institutions Code of the State of California, and shall change to conform to any amendments to said code.

2.440.090 Method of Payment.

General assistance may be paid by Glenn County warrant, aid in kind, EBT, or surplus commodities.

2.440.100 Determination of Kindred Responsibility.

- A. Determination of those kindred of recipients held to be responsible to support or contribute to the support of general assistance, recipients shall be made in accordance with the Welfare and Institutions Code of the state of California and shall change to conform to any amendments to said code.
- B. A standard for determining the extent of liability of the kindred to support recipients of general assistance shall be developed by the Health and Human Services Agency; such standard shall become effective upon approval of adoption by the board, and shall not be changed without prior approval of the board.

2.440.110 Appeal.

Any applicant for or recipient of general assistance who believes that general assistance has been improperly denied by the Glenn County Health and Human Services Agency or that general assistance has been granted by the Agency in a lesser amount than required by the standards of general assistance, may appeal the determination.

2.440.120 Variances.

Where conditions exist which make compliance with any rule impracticable, the Health and Human Services Agency may recommend that the board modify or amend any requirement set forth in this chapter.

2.440.130 False Statement a Felony.

Every person who knowingly gives any false or fraudulent statements or information under penalty of perjury to obtain assistance or benefits under this chapter is guilty of a Felony.

SECTION 3: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, portion, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this Chapter and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, portion, or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared illegal, invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after the date of its adoption and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days from the date of passage thereof shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation, in the County of Glenn, State of California, together with the names of the members of the Board of Supervisors voting for and against the same.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this April 19, 2022, by the Glenn County Board of Supervisors, State of California, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Hahn, Carmon, Barr, Corum and Arnold (Chairman)

NOES: None

ABSENT OR ABSTAIN: None



Thomas J. Arnold, Chairman
Glenn County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Scott H. De Moss, Clerk of the Board
County of Glenn, California

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



William J. Vanasek, County Counsel
County of Glenn, California