**General Assistance Program Public Notice**

The municipality of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_administers a general assistance (“GA”) program available to all persons who are eligible pursuant to the standards provided in this ordinance, state law (22 M.R.S. §§ 4301-4326), and Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) regulations. A copy of this ordinance and pertinent statutes are available for public inspection at the Town Office.

Persons who wish to apply for General Assistance may do so during normal office hours of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

In an emergency, applicants may contact \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The municipality’s General Assistance Administrator must issue a written decision regarding eligibility to all applicants **within 24 hours** of receiving an application.

The Department of Health and Human Services’ toll-free number to call with questions regarding the General Assistance Program or to report alleged violations is 1-800-442-6003, option 2, then option 1.

This notice is posted pursuant to Title 22 MRSA §4304-4305.