# RESOURCES IDENTIFYING RESOURCES

# C. CASH & IN-KIND ITEMS RECEIVED FOR THE REPAIR/ REPLACEMENT OF LOST, DAMAGED OR STOLEN EXCLUDED RESOURCES

Cash and in-kind receipts from any source for the replacement or repair of lost, damaged, or stolen excluded resources are themselves not treated as resources for 9 months from the date of their receipt.

For cash receipts, the initial 9-month period can be extended for a reasonable period up to an additional 9 months if the individual shows good cause why repair or replacement was not possible during the first 9 months.

Good cause is present if circumstances beyond the individual's control:

- prevent repair or replacement of the lost, damaged, or stolen property; or
- keep the individual from contracting for such repair or replacement.

An individual cannot qualify for an extension of the initial 9 month period unless he/she intends to use the funds for their designated purpose, i.e., repair or replacement of excluded resources. The good cause extension will terminate as of the date of any change of intent. The funds then become a resource the following month.

Effective February 15, 1996, for individuals who incurred damage to or loss of excluded resources as a result of a Presidentially-Declared major disaster, the 18-month period described above can be extended for up to an additional 12 months if evidence of good cause is presented.

## 1. Source of Funds

There are no restrictions on where cash and/or in-kind items come from for purposes of this policy (e.g., it may come from an insurance company, a Federal or State agency, a public or private organization, or an individual).

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However, funds received from the following sources are to be excluded in accordance with income/resource policy regarding these payments.

- the Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act;
- some other Federal statute because of a presidentially-declared major disaster;
- comparable assistance received from a State or local government; or
- a disaster assistance organization.
- 2. Interest on Funds Not Treated as Resources

Interest earned by funds not treated as resources under this provision is not treated as income and resources for the period during which the funds themselves are not considered resources.

3. Funds for Temporary Housing

This policy applies to funds received for the purchase of temporary housing.

4. Personal Injury Payments

This policy does not apply to funds received on account of personal injury.

5. Evidence

Make sure the evidence shows the source, value, date(s), and intended purpose of the items received, including whether any cash received is for a purpose other than the replacement or repair of the lost, damaged, or stolen (and excluded) resource.

Obtain a copy of any evidence the individual has.

Of the individual cannot provide evidence that suffices for a determination, obtain the necessary information from the source of the payment(s). Do so by telephone, if possible, recording the facts on a Record of Contact.