THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST of latter-day saints

Bishop's Guide to the Self-Reliance Plan

- 1. After attending to any urgent needs, invite the member to complete a Self-Reliance Plan. (See General Handbook, 22.3.2 and 22.3.3.)
- 2. Invite a Relief Society leader, elders quorum leader, or ministering sister or brother to help the member with his or her plan, if needed.
- 3. After reviewing the member's completed plan, determine the nature of needed Church assistance, if any. (See General Handbook, 22.4.)

Member Information

Member's name

Evaluate the Member's Needs and Identify Any Assistance to Provide

Members who are unable to meet basic needs through their own efforts may need help from extended family or from government, community, or Church resources. Use the table below to keep a record of any Church assistance provided.

Type of assistance (if any)	Amount or duration
Example: Groceries	Example: 2 weeks

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Follow Up on the Member's Self-Reliance Plan

1. Meet periodically with the member to review the self-reliance plan and follow up on commitments.

2. Consider inviting the member to participate in self-reliance groups.

Date	Progress achieved	Next step
July 28	Example: Cleaned meetinghouse. Joined stake self-reliance group "Education for Better Work."	Example: Continue self-reliance group.

Note: Because the Church does not employ the member, avoid recording progress as you would a time sheet at a job.