

Little Bean, Inc. Financial Assistance Eligibility & Criteria Policy

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At Little Bean, Inc., we are committed to supporting children and families affected by health-related challenges by providing financial assistance to those in need. To ensure fair and transparent distribution of aid, we have established the following eligibility requirements and selection criteria.

Please review this policy carefully before applying.

1. Who is Eligible?

To qualify for financial assistance from Little Bean, Inc., applicants must meet the following requirements:

A. Age & Medical Condition

The applicant must be a child (under 18 years old) or a dependent minor with a qualifying health-related condition.

The child must have a verified medical diagnosis from a licensed healthcare provider.

Eligible conditions include (but are not limited to) chronic illnesses, life-threatening diseases, disabilities, or medical conditions requiring ongoing care.

B. Financial Need

The applicant's household must demonstrate financial hardship due to medical expenses or other related costs.

Income eligibility is determined based on Federal Poverty Guidelines or other recognized financial assistance thresholds.

Families receiving other financial aid may still qualify, but priority will be given to those most in need.

C. Geographic Location

The applicant must reside in U.S.

Proof of residency (such as a utility bill, lease, or state-issued ID) may be required.

D. Covered Expenses

The financial assistance provided by Little Bean, Inc. may be used for:

- ✓ Medical bills & treatments not covered by insurance
- ✓ Travel and lodging for medical appointments
- ✓ Medical equipment & assistive devices
- ✓ Therapies (e.g., physical, occupational, speech, mental health counseling)
- ✓ Caregiver & support services
- ✓ Other urgent expenses directly related to the child's health condition

✗ Non-Covered Expenses:

Non-medical personal expenses (e.g., rent, groceries, entertainment)

Cosmetic or elective procedures

Past-due medical debts older than 1 year from the first issue.

2. Application Process

To apply for financial assistance, families must:

Complete the online application form in full and provide all required documentation.

Submit proof of medical condition, signed by a licensed healthcare provider.

Provide financial documentation, including tax returns, pay stubs, or proof of government assistance (if applicable).

Include a personal statement explaining the child's condition, financial hardship, and how assistance will help.

Agree to follow-up verification if requested.



Tip: Applications that are incomplete or missing documentation may result in delays or denial.

3. Selection Criteria

Little Bean, Inc. evaluates each application based on the following:

- ✓ Financial need & hardship level
- ✓ Urgency & severity of the child's medical condition

- ✓ Availability of funding for the requested expenses
- ✓ Alignment with our mission & covered expense categories

💡 Note: Due to limited funding, not all eligible applicants will be approved. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and prioritized based on need and urgency.

4. Decision & Notification

Applicants will receive a decision within 4-6 weeks after submitting a completed application.

Approved applicants will receive direct assistance payments (not cash) to medical providers, service providers, or vendors.

Denied applicants may request one appeal review if they believe there was an error in the decision.

5. Fraud Prevention & Compliance

Any false or misleading information will result in immediate disqualification and may be reported to authorities.

Assistance is not guaranteed and is provided at the discretion of Little Bean, Inc.

All data submitted is kept confidential and used only for application review purposes.

6. Contact Us

For questions about the application process, eligibility, or required documentation, please contact:

✉ Email: info@littlebeaninc.com

📞 Phone: 512-827-7638

🌐 Website: littlebeaninc.com

We appreciate your trust in Little Bean, Inc. and are honored to support children and families in need.