

Script 8: Emergency Fund

The United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund UNJSPF (or CCPNU in French) administers an emergency fund for its beneficiaries.

If you are a recipient of a small monthly benefit and you are facing an unforeseen hardship you could be eligible for emergency fund assistance.

The Fund has dedicated staff examining and reviewing applications and determining eligibility.

Applications for emergency assistance can be for:

Medical expenses of an exceptional nature, such as the cost for a special procedure or treatment not covered by your insurance.

All medical requests are screened and examined by United Nations medical service physicians.

In case you are caught up in a natural disaster such as hurricane, earthquake, tornado, tsunami, typhoon, flood, fire or other disaster – applications for immediate assistance can be sent to the Fund. Most often in the case of a widespread natural disaster the Fund develops a fast-track application procedure for a set amount of assistance.

When a beneficiary passes away and if the family cannot afford the funeral costs, you can apply to the Emergency Fund for assistance. The set rate from the Fund in 2017 is 1292.00 US Dollars - and would be paid once the Fund receives a proof of payment, invoices and proof that the applicant is unable to pay. All requests must be submitted to the Fund in writing.

If overpayment to a deceased beneficiary exist this would first have to be cleared before any emergency fund assistance could be granted.

If your application is successful and meets all of the criteria as set out by the regulations for the Emergency Fund – the Fund will send financial assistance.

For more information about the Emergency Fund, details on how and where to apply, visit UNJSPF.org