

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
STATE OF MARYLAND

LESS RESTRICTIVE METHODS OF TREATING RESOURCES
UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT

For the SSI-related group authorized under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(V), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV), 1902(a)(10)(C), 1902(a)(10)(E)(i), 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii), 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv), and 1905(p) of the Social Security Act, the following more liberal methodologies apply:

1. Any vehicle regardless of the value is excluded as a countable resource, except for airplanes, recreational vehicles, boats and their trailers, and antique cars which are not the assistance unit's primary vehicle.
2. Exclude as a countable resource all irrevocable or revocable burial or funeral plans which specify that a funeral home will receive all proceeds. Exclude other resources designated for burial/funeral up to \$1,500.
3. Exclude income-producing property as a countable resource if it annually produces income consistent with the fair market value.
4. Exclude household goods and personal effects, except for luxury items or valuable collections (e.g., antiques, stamp or coin collection, expensive jewelry other than wedding rings, fur coats).

For the AFDC-related groups authorized under Sections 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IX), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIV), and 1902(a)(10)(C), as further defined at Sections 1905(a)(i), (ii), and (viii), of the Social Security Act, the following more liberal methodologies apply:

1. All resources are disregarded.

For the SSI-related groups authorized under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV) of the Social Security Act, the following more liberal methodologies apply:

1. Exclude as a countable resource all retirement and pension plans except IRA accounts.
2. Exclude resources up to \$10,000 for an individual and \$15,000 for a married couple.