

Fee and Fee Waiver

Government Claims Filing Fee and Fee Waiver

A \$25 filing fee is required for all claims submitted to the GCP. The fee was established by the Legislature in the Budget Act of 2004 to provide funds to support the program. In some circumstances when a claim is awarded, the \$25 filing fee will be refunded to the claimant by the paying agency.

Claimants should send the filing fee along with the [Government Claim Form](#).

Fee Waiver

Claimants who are unable to pay the \$25 filing fee may apply to have the fee waived. To request a fee waiver, you must fill out the [Filing Fee Waiver Request](#).

Inmates in correctional facilities who wish to request a fee waiver must also use the form, attach a certified copy of their trust account balance, and provide their inmate identification number.

Requirements for Waiving the Filing Fee

- Persons who are receiving benefits pursuant to the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and State Supplemental Payments (SSP) programs (Section 12200 to 12205, inclusive, of the Welfare and Institutions Code), the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Act (CalWORKs) program (Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11200) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code), the Food Stamp program (7 U.S.C. Sec. 2011 et seq.), or Section 17000 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.
- Persons whose monthly income is 125 percent or less of the current monthly poverty line.
- Persons who are sentenced to imprisonment in a state prison or confined in a county jail, or who are residents in a state institution and, within 90 days prior to the date the claim is filed, have a balance of \$100 or less credited to the inmate's or resident's trust account. A certified copy of the statement of the account shall be submitted.