

*St. Vincent*

# POVERTY

## Experience

### Louis Family

#### Louis Family Packet Contents

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 Name tags (ages included) for each Family Member  
 Family Address sign  
 Scrap Paper  
 Pen or Pencil

#### Family Members Profile

**Mother:** Linda, age 25, with high school education. She was never employed full time. The children’s father does not pay child support. She is currently pregnant.

**Son:** Larry, age 4, in good health.

**Son:** Lyn, age 3, who is autistic. He needs to take trips to the clinic and, on rare occasions, to the emergency room. (Although you have Medicaid, you are averaging \$40.00 per month in uncovered medical expenses) due to your pregnancy and Geraldo’s autism. Being in your 6th month of pregnancy, you must go to the clinic every month for a pre-natal exam. You often make use of the child care center at St. Joseph’s Church.

#### Setting

You live in a rented three-room flat in an old building in a deteriorating area. You are paying off your furniture and stove. Two windows are broken in your apartment but the landlord refuses to repair them. You do not have a phone, so you must either rely on using a neighbor’s phone or save change to use a pay phone.

#### Income

You receive a total of \$584.00 a month from TANF for your family of three. You also receive \$630.00 a month in food stamps.

#### Budget

These are the bills you must pay during the month.

##### Housing (pay to mortgage and realty company)

Rent: \$400.00

##### Utilities (pay to utility company)

Gas: \$500.00

Electric: \$96.00

##### Food (pay to grocery store)

Per week: \$150.00

##### Clothing (pay to pawnshop)

Per month: \$40.00

##### Miscellaneous (pay to pawnshop)

Per month: \$40.00

##### Medical (pay to clinic)

\$40.00

##### Loan Payments (pay to bank)

Per month: \$100.00

**SOCIAL SECURITY CARD**  
**500-12-8743**  
 THIS NUMBER HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR  
**Linda Louis**  
*Linda Louis*  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE

**SOCIAL SECURITY CARD**  
**500-13-8743**  
 THIS NUMBER HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR  
**Larry Louis**  
*Larry Louis*  
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 SIGNATURE

**SOCIAL SECURITY CARD**  
**500-14-8743**  
 THIS NUMBER HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR  
**Lyn Louis**  
*Lyn Louis*  
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 SIGNATURE

**State of Poverty**  
 OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION CARD  
**500-12-8743**  
 LINDA LOUIS  
 7345 WALNUT STREET  
*Linda Louis*  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE

<b>Division of Family Services</b>	79-45	<b>45921</b>
<b>State of Poverty</b>	234	
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)		
Pay to the order of <b>Linda Louis</b>		Amount <b>\$584.00</b>
Five hundred eighty-four dollars and no cents		
		<i>Lottie Doe</i>
		_____ TREASURER
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**STATE OF POVERTY**  
 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
**AUTHORIZATION TO PARTICIPATE**  
**FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**  
 STATE OF POVERTY- DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Name **LINDA LOUIS**  
 Address **7345 WALNUT STREET**  
 Social Security Number **500-12-8743**  
 Amount Authorized **\$630.00**

Nametags

**Linda Louis**

**25**

**Larry Louis**

**4**

**Lyn Louis**

**3**



**LOUIS FAMILY**  
**7345 Walnut Street**  
~Home Sweet Home~