

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
THE CITY OF PEORIA ADOPTING THE GATI GENERAL ASSISTANCE HANDBOOK FOR ALL
TOWNSHIP GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

WHEREAS, the Township of the City of Peoria, Peoria County, State of Illinois is a duly organized and existing government body created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois, with full power to enact ordinances for the benefit of the residents of the Township and to conform to Illinois law; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Trustees constitutes the duly elected and qualified officials of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the General Assistance Training Institute (GATI) and the Township Supervisors of Illinois (TSI) compile and publish the GATI General Assistance Handbook and it is the standard used by townships in the region; and

WHEREAS, the Township of the City of Peoria currently operates its general assistance programs using the City of Peoria Township General Assistance Handbook, which due to its unique nature, impedes the Township from the efficient handling of general assistance matters and from collaborating with other townships thereby increasing costs to the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Trustees agree that the Township of the City of Peoria's general assistance policies and programs need to be comparable to policies and programs of townships in the region for purposes of reducing operating costs for the Township and efficiently operating its general assistance program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

SECTION 1. The above WHEREAS clauses are herein adopted and considered part of this Ordinance;

SECTION 2. Effective 6/1/2018, the Township hereby adopts the most recent GATI General Assistance Handbook, in its entirety, for its general assistance programs.

A copy of said GATI General Assistance Handbook shall be made available to all Township officials and employees and a copy shall also be available at the Township office for public inspection.

SECTION 3. Effective upon adoption of the GATI General Assistance Handbook, the City of Peoria Township General Assistance Handbook shall no longer be applicable.

SECTION 4. The Township Supervisor and Township Clerk shall work together to create standardized forms for general assistance pursuant to the requirements under the GATI General Assistance Handbook.

SECTION 5. The most recent edition of the GATI General Assistance Handbook shall be considered adopted by the Township whenever a new edition of the GATI General Assistance Handbook is published.

This Ordinance is hereby adopted and approved by the Township Board of Trustees as of this ____ day of _____, 2018, by a vote of:

AYES _____ NAYS _____ ABSTENTIONS _____

Chairman

Attest:

Township Clerk