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2.6 Support the implementation of the Brighter Prospects: Transforming Social Assistance in Ontario recommendations, including linking social assistance rates to inflation and allowing individuals to retain more of their assets before accessing social assistance.

Brighter Prospects: Transforming Social Assistance in Ontario
Increased limits for assets for recipients of ODSP and Ontario Works so that individuals and families can build financial resilience and better weather daily cost pressures and unexpected financial needs.

Effective September 2017 the following changes were implemented:
Ontario Works asset limits increased from:
$2,500 to $10,000 for single individuals
$5,000 to $15,000 for couples

ODSP asset limits increased from:
$5,000 to $40,000 for single individuals
$7,500 to $50,000 for couples