

251.3 Powers and duties.

The director shall have the power to do all of the following:

1. Appoint personnel as necessary for the efficient discharge of the duties imposed on the director and make rules and regulations necessary or advisable relating to the director's activities and those of the advisory boards created under [section 217.43](#), concerning emergency relief.
2. Join and cooperate with the government of the United States, or any of its appropriate agencies or instrumentalities, in any emergency relief activity.
3. Make reports of budget estimates to the governor and the general assembly as required by law or as necessary to obtain appropriations of funds for emergency relief and for all the purposes of [this chapter](#).
4. Determine the need for funds in the various counties of the state basing such determination upon the amount of money needed in the various counties to provide adequate emergency relief, and upon the counties' financial inability to provide such relief from county funds. The director may administer state funds within the various counties of the state to supplement local funds as needed.
5. Make reports, obtain and furnish information as required by the governor, the general assembly, or any other appropriate state or federal office or agency, and make an annual report of the department's emergency relief activities.

[C39, §[3828.068](#); C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, §251.2; C71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §251.3]

[93 Acts, ch 54, §6](#); [2001 Acts, 2nd Ex, ch 4, §4, 9](#); [2023 Acts, ch 19, §830](#)