Work Pays

On Temporary Assistance? Working has its own benefits

Family of Three - Not Working†

SNAP: $474 per month
Temporary Assistance: $793 per month

$1,267 per month
(Not eligible for Earned Income Tax Credits)

Family of Three - Working†

SNAP: $338 per month
Earnings from work*: $1,560

$2,298 per month

$22,776 total per year
$7,200 Earned Income Tax Credits

* Based on a 30-hour workweek at $12 an hour
† Based on households in New York City, Long Island and Westchester County

Additional Benefits of Working

Work history combined with skills can lead to a better job
Pay into Social Security to qualify for retirement benefits
Qualify for Federal and State tax credits to boost income

When recipients earn enough to no longer receive Temporary Assistance, they still may qualify for at least:

12 months of Medicaid
12 months of child care assistance
5 months of SNAP

Did you know?

More than 60,000 Temporary Assistance recipients in New York State become employed annually.