

How does working affect Temporary Assistance?



You have a job. Now what?

When you start working, the money you earn usually won't affect how much you receive in Temporary Assistance until the following month.

Even then, getting a job does not necessarily mean you stop receiving Temporary Assistance right away.

Here's how it works

A portion of what you earn from your job is not counted when determining eligibility for continued Temporary Assistance. This means new earnings do not result in reduced benefits, up to a certain point.

- For households that have a child under age 18 (or under 19 and in school), **the first \$90 of monthly income, plus 53 percent of the remainder, is not counted** when determining how much you will continue to receive in Temporary Assistance.
- For households without children, **the first \$90 is not counted.**

Report your earnings

It's important that you tell your caseworker that you are earning money from a job **within 10 days** of getting your first paycheck. Not doing so can result in a benefit overpayment, which you must repay.

You also must provide proof that you have a job, such as a letter from your employer or a pay stub to verify how many hours you work, your rate of pay and when you started working.

Supportive services



Need help with expenses related to your job?
You may be eligible for:

- Child care assistance
- Transportation assistance
- Other work-related costs like uniforms, equipment, tools or licensing fees