

Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) Eligibility and Suitability Requirements Overview

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

General Requirements:

- Must meet draft registration requirements (males only)
- Must be eligible to work in the US

ADULT ELIGIBILITY

Adults are individuals age 18 and older who at time of application are unemployed OR who are under-employed, OR whose family meets adult low income on the income guidelines below:

Program Years 2020-2021 Six-Month Income Guidelines for WIOA Low Income Level Figures Effective May 1, 2020						
Family Size	Metropolitan Areas	Metro Areas 200%	Atlanta MSA	Atlanta MSA 200%	Nonmetropolitan Areas	Non-metro Areas 200%
1	\$6,380	\$12,760	\$6,380	\$12,760	\$6,380	\$12,760
2	8,620	17,240	8,620	17,240	8,620	17,240
3	11,030	22,060	10,860	21,720	10,860	21,720
4	13,617	27,234	13,226	26,452	13,213	26,426
5	16,072	32,144	15,608	31,216	15,592	31,184
6	18,797	37,594	18,253	36,506	18,235	36,470
7	21,522	43,044	20,897	41,794	20,877	41,754
8	24,247	48,494	23,542	47,084	23,520	47,040
For each over 8 add:	2,725		2,645		2,643	

Acceptable Documentation:

- **If unemployed:** Proof of unemployed status at time of application including information on last employment/employer, pay stubs for last employment period and/or tax forms (W2) **OR**
- **For under-employed or low-income:** Food Stamps or TANF Letter (Current within last 6 months) **OR** Paycheck stubs (for 6 months or Letter from Employer **AND**
- Completed Family Income and Composition Form

DISLOCATED WORKER ELIGIBILITY

- Terminated or laid off, or has received a notice of termination or layoff from employment
- Eligible for or has exhausted unemployment insurance
- Unlikely to return to a previous industry or occupation
- Terminated due to a permanent closure or substantial layoff
- Employed at a facility where employer has said the facility will close within 180 days
- Was self-employed but unemployed now due to economic conditions
- Is a displaced homemaker no longer supported by another family member

Acceptable Documentation:

- Notice of Layoff, Separation Notice or U.I. Determination Letter (Layoff due to no fault of the customer)
- Job Search Records
- Verification of Unemployment Insurance Status (Claims Determination Letter)
- Spouse Layoff (Displaced Homemakers Only)

YOUTH ELIGIBILITY

Out-of-School Youth (OSY)

Out-of-school youth must be age 16-24, not attending any school and meet one or more additional conditions which could include:

- School dropout
- Within age of compulsory attendance but has not attended for at least the most recent complete school year calendar quarter
- Holds a secondary school diploma and is low-income, basic skills deficient or an English language learner
- Subject to the juvenile or adult justice system
- Homeless, runaway, in foster care of aged out of the foster care system, eligible for assistance under Section 477, Social Security Act, or in out-of-home placement
- Pregnant or parenting
- Individual with a disability
- Low-income who requires additional assistance to enter or complete an educational program or to secure and hold employment