

## 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 2021-2022 Six-Month Income Guidelines for WIOA Low Income Level Figures Effective May 1, 2021						
Family Size	Metropolitan Areas	Metro Areas 200%	Atlanta MSA	Atlanta MSA 200%	Nonmetropolitan Areas	Non-metro Areas 200%
1	\$6,440	\$12,880	\$6,440	\$12,760	\$6,380	\$12,760
2	8,710	17,420	8,710	17,240	8,620	17,240
3	11,129	22,258	10,980	21,720	10,860	21,720
4	13,740	27,480	13,385	26,770	13,345	26,690
5	16,216	32,432	15,796	31,592	15,748	31,496
6	18,966	37,932	18,472	36,944	18,417	36,834
7	21,715	43,430	21,148	42,296	21,085	42,170
8	24,465	48,930	23,824	47,648	23,754	47,508
For each over 8 add:	2,750	5,500	2,676	5,352	2,669	5,338

### 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