## Continuation of Support Services

Families may continue to receive Support Services or cash assistance for up to 6 months if you meet the following:

- Continue to live in West Virginia; and
- Your family's gross monthly income is 150% or less of the current Federal Poverty Level; and
- One adult in the family meets all of the following:
  - o Is employed; and
  - Received a monthly WV WORKS check or was a non-recipient Work-Eligible Individual who was living with a dependent child who was receiving assistance; and
  - Has his, or his spouse's dependent child, under age 19, in the home.

| <u>Note</u> :                  | Support   | Service |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| payments and Bonus types and   |           |         |
| amounts may change. Certain    |           |         |
| eligibility                    | requireme | nts and |
| restrictions may apply to some |           |         |
| support payment types.         |           |         |

#### **Additional Services**

- Child Care Services
- Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Employer Incentive Program (EIP)
- Workforce Investment Act (WIA)
- Joint Opportunities for Independence (JOIN)
- Division of Rehabilitation Services, Vocational Evaluation & Assessment
- Domestic Violence Referrals



Helping Former and Current WV WORKS Participants Gain, Maintain, and Advance in Employment



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For more information about WV WORKS Support Services, call your local DHHR office or visit the Family Assistance website at: www.wvdhhr.org/family\_assistance.

# WV WORKS Support Services Bureau for Children and Families

Division of Family Assistance

# WV WORKS Support Services and Payment Services

**TO HELP YOU FIND AND KEEP EMPLOYMENT**, you may be eligible for WV WORKS Support Service payments, which are made in addition to your family's monthly assistance payment. These payments are based on need and could continue for as long as six months after you have gone to work. You may be eligible to receive the following expenses:

- TRANSPORTATION We can pay you up to \$450 a month;
- <u>CAR REPAIRS</u> We can pay up to \$2,000 lifetime to repair a car or truck to help you get to and from work;
- <u>CAR INSURANCE</u> We can pay up to \$1000 lifetime liability car insurance;
- WORK CLOTHING We can pay up to \$1000 lifetime for work clothing;
- <u>COLLATERAL EXPENSE</u> We can provide payments up to \$250 in a 12 month period to help you purchase items or services that you may need for your new job;
- <u>TOOLS and/or EQUIPMENT</u> We can pay up to \$1000 lifetime for tools or other equipment needed for work;
- ARRA EMERGENCY STIMULUS PAYMENT – Covers emergency needs such as housing, utilities, and household supplies.

- DRIVER or CHAUFFER'S LICENSE We can pay up to \$60 lifetime for either type of license;
- <u>COMMERCIAL</u> <u>DRIVER'S</u> <u>LICENSE</u> (<u>CDL</u>) – We can pay up to a \$200 lifetime for your CDL license;
- PROFESSIONAL LICENSE If your new job requires you to be licensed we can pay up to \$500 lifetime;
- <u>RELOCATION EXPENSE</u> We can pay up to \$2,500 lifetime to relocate you due to employment to a different state or another area of the state if you have a job;
- DRIVING UNDER INFLUENCE (DUI) We can pay up to \$500 lifetime for costs related to reinstatement of driver's licenses which have been revoked due to substance abuse; and
- VISION and DENTAL SERVICES You may be eligible for referral for vision and/or dental services to prepare you for your new job. You must be a Work-Eligible Individual at the time of the referral, but service will continue even if the WV WORKS case is closed. The referral is time limited and services must be completed within one year of the referral date.

## WV WORKS Bonuses

WV WORKS Bonuses are paid for achievement of the following.

- <u>GED CERTIFICATE OR HIGH</u> <u>SCHOOL GRADUATION</u> – Work-Eligible Individuals over the age of 18 who pass the General Education Development (GED) test are eligible for a GED Bonus of \$500;
- VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ACHIEVEMENT BONUS – A one time bonus of \$500 for individuals who find employment within 90 days of graduating from a vocational education institution.
- JOB RETENTION BONUSES -Achievement bonuses of \$100/30 days, \$150/90 days, \$500/6 months, up to \$750 lifetime are paid for retaining full-time employment.
- PARTICIPATION ACHIEVEMENT BONUS - \$50/month when participation requirements are met.

**NOTE:** It is important to follow your Personal Responsibility Contract (PRC) that you and your Case Manager developed in order to qualify for these payments. Submitting completed Time Sheets by the date required is extremely important to avoid delay or non-issuance of the payment that you may have requested.