TANF Temporary Assistance For Needy Families





- The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PWRORA) authorized TANF to replace the welfare programs known as Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), the Job Opportunities and Basic Skills Training (JOBS) program and the Emergency Assistance (EA) program.
- These funds cover benefits, administrative expenses, and services targeted to needy families.



- · Four Purposes of TANF
 - Providing assistance to needy families so that children can be cared for in their homes or in the homes of relatives
 - Ending the dependency of needy parents on government benefits by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage
 - Preventing and reducing the incidence of outof-wedlock pregnancies
 - Encouraging the formation and maintenance of two-parent families



- The program is funded by both federal and state funds.
- Federal Funds The TANF program is funded through a block grant from the Federal government.



- State Funds "Maintenance-of-effort" (MOE) States must spend 80% of their historic level of spending (using FY 1994 as base year) on "qualified State expenditures" to meet the basic MOE requirement.
- All MOE funds must be spent on TANF eligible families.



Categories of Assistance

· Assistance

· Non-Assistance





TANF ASSISTANCE

- TANF is a time limited cash assistance program (48 months in GA) with work requirements for most recipients.
- This program assists families with children 18 years of age or younger when the parents or other responsible relatives cannot provide for the family's basic needs



TANF ASSISTANCE

 TANF also provides support services such as child care, transportation, and other necessary expenditures as recipients make the transition from cash assistance to employment.



BASIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR TANF

- Non Financial
 - Age
 - Citizenship
 - Lifetime Limits
 - Deprivation
 - Family Cap
 - Work Requirements





BASIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR TANF

- Financial
 - Income

- Resources
 - · \$1,000





TANF Financial Standards Income

AU Size	Gross Income Ceiling	Standard Of Need	Family Maximum
1	\$435	\$235	\$155
2	\$659	\$356	\$235
3	\$784	\$424	\$280
4	\$925	\$500	\$330
3	\$1060	\$573	\$378

Work Requirements

 One of the federal performance standards for the TANF program is to have at least 50% of the state's single family work eligible individuals participating for a minimum of 30 hours per week in a countable work activity



Work Requirements

- Another federal standard is to have at least 90% of the state's two parent family work eligible individuals participating for a combined minimum of 35 hours per week or 55 hours per week if they are receiving federal funded child care
- Note Georgia administers their two parent families TANF assistance in a solely state funded program.



TANF = WORK NOW

- □ Engage eligible adults in work activities
- ☐ Assist families to become self sufficient as quickly as possibly
- ☐ Help families obtain employment



WORK ACTIVITIES

- Primary Activities
 - Unsubsidized Employment
 - Subsidized Employment
 - Work Experience
 - On the Job Training
 - Job Search
 - Community Service
 - Vocational Education



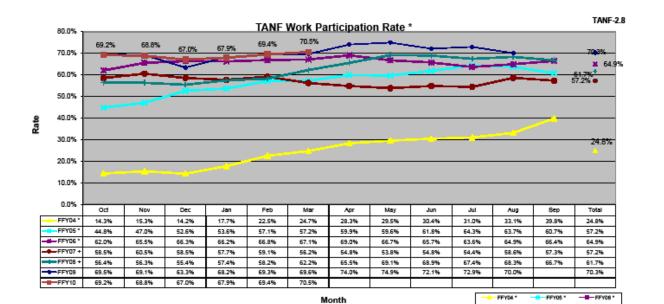


WORK ACTIVITIES

- Secondary Activities
 - Job Skills Training
 - Education Directly Related to Employment
 - School Attendance







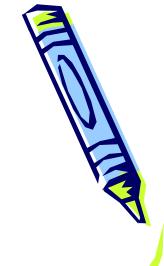
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TANF NON-ASSISTANCE

- · Benefits
 - Employment Intervention Services
 - Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Crisis Intervention Payments
 - Work Support Program





TANF NON-ASSISTANCE

- Services
 - Training Programs
 - Job Coaches
 - Job Search Classes
 - Substance Abuse Treatment
 - Mental Health Treatment





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