

TITLE I WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

YOUTH ELIGIBILITY

1. Not less than age 14 and not more than age 21; and
2. Low-income individual (disadvantaged youth); and
3. Who is one or more of the following:
 - (a) Deficient in basic literacy skills (at or below 8th grade level or unable to function on job, in family or society).
 - (b) A school dropout.
 - (c) Homeless, a runaway, or a foster child.
 - (d) Pregnant or a parent (Custodial or Non-Custodial parent)
 - (e) An offender.
 - (f) An individual (including a youth with a disability) who requires additional assistance to complete an educational program, or secure and hold employment; and
4. U.S. citizen or legal alien; and
5. Meets Selective Service requirements.

Income Exception for Youth

Not more than 5% of Youths served may be youths who do not meet the income criteria, if the youth is in one or more of the following categories:

1. School dropout
2. Basic skills deficient (below 8th grade)
3. One or more grade levels below grade level appropriate for age
4. Pregnant or parenting (Custodial parent)
5. Has disability (including learning disability)
6. Homeless or runaway youth
7. Offender
8. Eligible youth who face serious barriers to employment as identified by the local board.

Youth age 18 or over may be served in the Youth program and the Adult or Dislocated Worker programs (no duplication of services), provided the youth meets the eligibility criteria for the applicable program (Adult or Dislocated Worker). Youth certified under the 5% income exception may not receive priority as a low income Adult when the WIB has established Adult funding is limited.

ADULT AND DISLOCATED WORKER INTENSIVE SERVICE ELIGIBILITY

Adults (age 18 or older for Adult funding) or Dislocated Workers who are:

1. (a) Unemployed and unable to obtain employment through core services; and determined by one-stop operator to be in need of more intensive services in order to obtain employment; or
(b) Employed, but determined by one-stop operator to be in need of intensive services to obtain or retain employment that allows for self-sufficiency; and
2. U.S. citizens or legal aliens; and
3. Meets Selective Service requirements.

- ** If a WIB determines Adult funding is limited, priority shall be given to Adults who are:
- a. recipients of public assistance (Cash); or
 - b. low income individuals (No income exception for Adults); and
 - c. may also serve other Adults who meet eligibility requirements.

DISLOCATED WORKER

1. Has been terminated or laid off, or has received notice of termination or layoff, from employment;
 - (a) (I) Eligible for or has exhausted Entitlement to Unemployment Compensation; or
(II) Has been employed for a duration sufficient to demonstrate attachment to the workforce, but is not eligible for Unemployment Compensation due to insufficient earnings or having performed services for an employer that were not covered under a State Unemployment Compensation law; and
 - (b) Unlikely to return to a previous industry or occupation:
2. (a) Has been terminated or laid off, or has received a notice of termination or layoff, from employment as a result of any permanent closure of, or any substantial layoff at, a plant, facility, or enterprise:
 - (b) Is employed at a facility at which the employer has made a general announcement that such facility will close within 180 days; or
 - (c) For purposes of eligibility to receive services other than, training, intensive, or supportive services; is employed at a facility at which the employer has made a general announcement that such facility will close;
3. Was self-employed (including employment as a farmer, rancher, or fisherman) but is unemployed as a result of general economic conditions in the community in which the individual resides or because of natural disasters; or;
4. Is a displaced homemaker.