## Work Pays

## How does working affect Temporary Assistance?



## You have a job. Now what?

When you start working, the money you earn usually won't affect how much you receive in Temporary Assistance until the following month.

Even then, getting a job does not necessarily mean you stop receiving Temporary Assistance right away.

## Here's how it works

A portion of what you earn from your job is not counted when determining eligibility for continued Temporary Assistance. This means new earnings may not result in reduced benefits.

A percentage of your monthly gross income, currently $62 \%$, is not counted, and the remaining amount is reduced by $\$ 150$. This amount is used in determining how much you will continue to receive in Temporary Assistance.

## Report your earnings

It's important that you tell your caseworker that you are earning money from a job within 10 days of getting your first paycheck. Not doing so can result in a benefit overpayment, which you must repay.

You also must provide proof that you have a job, such as a letter from your employer or a pay stub to verify how many hours you work, your rate of pay and when you started working.

## Supportive services



Need help with expenses related to your job? You may be eligible for:

- Child care assistance
- Transportation assistance
- Other work-related costs like uniforms, equipment, tools or licensing fees

