# Family Employment Program - Two Parent (FEP-TP)

## **Program Purpose**

This program provides short-term financial assistance to two-parent families that are underemployed or that do not have jobs. They must also meet the eligibility criteria discussed below.

## **Eligibility**

To receive FEP-TP you must:

- Have two parents in the household with each able to earn \$500/month;
- Have at least one child; and
- Meet strict work criteria, including:
  - Primary Parent: 8 hours per week searching for a job plus 32 hours per week in work experience and training, including community work, adult education, short- term skill training, and job search training (16 of the 32 hours must be spent at a community work site.)
  - Second Parent: 20 hours per week with community work, job search, adult education or skills training activities.

#### **Good Cause**

The work criteria must be met unless excused for good cause. Good cause may include a death in the immediate family, unavailable child care, or unusual transportation problems. Good cause may excuse temporary or sporadic failure to fulfill the hours requirement.

### **Property**

You may own certain property and still be eligible for FEP-TP.

#### **Assessment**

You will be required to participate in an assessment with your caseworker to qualify for FEP-TP.

## **Employment Plan**

In order to get benefits under FEP-TP, you must develop an employment plan with your caseworker.

#### **Time Limits**

A household may not be on the FEP-TP program for more than 7 months in any 13month period. Payment for part of the month counts as a whole month. Months on the FEP-TP program do count toward the 36-month FEP time limit.

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