
APPENDIX: Additional Resources on Work Support Programs

There are several programs that provide key supports to low-income working families. These programs “make work pay,” helping parents make ends meet and providing them the help they need to retain employment.

The following provides a brief resource list for information about the following work support programs: child care, child support enforcement, federal and state Earned Income Tax Credits, the Food Stamp Program, housing assistance programs, and the Medicaid and SCHIP programs.

Child Care

Child Care Assistance Helps Families Work: A Review of the Effects of Subsidy Receipt on Employment, Center for Law and Social Policy,
http://www.clasp.org/publications/ccassistance_employment.pdf

Using TANF for Child Care: A Technical Guide, Center for Law and Social Policy,
http://www.clasp.org/publications/using_tanf_for_child_care.pdf

The Child Care and Development Fund: An Overview, Center for Law and Social Policy,
http://www.clasp.org/publications/the_child_care_and_development_fund.pdf

Child Care Assistance in 2004: States Have Fewer Funds for Child Care, Center for Law and Social Policy, <http://www.clasp.org/publications/childcareassistance2004.pdf>

Child Support Enforcement

Families Will Lose at Least \$8.4 Billion in Uncollected Child Support If Congress Cuts Funds — and Could Lose Billions More, Center for Law and Social Policy,
http://www.clasp.org/publications/incentivepayments_jan18.pdf

In Everybody's Best Interests: Why Reforming Child Support Distribution Makes Sense for Government and Families, Center for Law and Social Policy,
http://www.clasp.org/publications/cs_cooperation_requirements.pdf

Child Support Cooperation Requirements and Public Benefits Programs: An Overview of Issues and Recommendations for Change, Center for Law and Social Policy,
http://www.clasp.org/publications/cs_brief_1_final.pdf

Recent State Efforts in Medical Child Support, Center for Law and Social Policy,
http://www.clasp.org/publications/medical_supp_updated081205.pdf

Federal and State Earned Income Tax Credits

A Hand Up: How State Earned Income Tax Credits Help Working Families Escape Poverty in 2006, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/3-8-06sfp.htm>

The Earned Income Tax Credit: Boosting Employment, Aiding the Working Poor, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/7-19-05eic.htm>

Make Tax Time Pay: An EITC Outreach Kit, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities,
<http://www.cbpp.org/eic2006/>

Food Stamp Program

The Food Stamp Program: Working Smarter for Working Families, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/3-15-05fa.htm>

Food and Nutrition Programs: Reducing Hunger, Bolstering Nutrition, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/7-19-05fa.htm>

Transitional Food Stamps: Background and Implementation Issues, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/11-10-03fa.htm>

Aligning Policies and Procedures in Benefit Programs: An Overview of the Opportunities and Challenges Under Current Federal Laws and Regulations, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities,
<http://www.cbpp.org/1-6-04wel.htm>

Housing Assistance

Introduction to the Housing Voucher Program, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities,
<http://www.centeronbudget.org/5-15-03hous.htm>

Promoting Work Among Residents of Public Housing: The Role of Welfare Agencies in Implementing the Earned Income Disregard, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/10-17-01hous.htm>

The Family Self-Sufficiency Program: HUD's Best Kept Secret for Promoting Employment and Asset Growth, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/4-12-01hous.htm>

Medicaid and SCHIP

Medicaid: Improving Health, Saving Lives, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/7-19-05health.htm>

Improving Children's Health: A Chartbook About the Roles of Medicaid and SCHIP, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/1-31-05health.htm>

A Success Story: Closing the Insurance Gap for America's Children Through Medicaid and SCHIP, Georgetown University Health Policy Institute, Center for Children and Families, <http://ccf.georgetown.edu/pdfs/success.pdf>

In a Time of Growing Need: State Choices Influence Health Coverage Access for Children and Families, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/10-18-05health.pdf>

Other

State Policies to Assist Working-Poor Families, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, <http://www.cbpp.org/12-10-04sfp.htm>