

Eligibility Guidelines

You must meet the first 2 requirements AND fit at least one criteria from the 3rd:

1. Age 16 – 24, AND
2. Not attending **any*** school, AND
3. **One or more** of the following:
 - Drop-out (within age of compulsory attendance – between 7 and 17 generally in MN – but has not attended school within at least the most recent school year quarter)
 - Possess a high school diploma or equivalent and is low-income and either basic skills deficient or an English language learner
 - Homeless (must meet criteria of either the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 or the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act)
 - Offender
 - Runaway
 - In foster care or aged out of foster care, or left foster care for kinship guardianship or adoption
 - In out-of-home placement
 - Pregnant or parenting
 - Has a disability (physical, mental, emotional or learning)
 - Low-income AND requiring additional assistance to enter or complete an educational program, or to find a job, or stay employed

* Attendance in GED classroom and/or GED testing qualifies as not attending any school

Proof of risk factor can be supplied by school official, social worker, probation officer, doctor or counselor on the Verification Form attached to the Youth Program application.

Low-income definition:

Family Size	Maximum Income
1	\$12,880
2	\$17,420
3	\$22,745
4	\$28,073
5	\$33,133

Under current guidelines, a youth with a documented disability, homeless, pregnant or parenting, or subject to the justice system will be considered a “family of one” and only the income of the youth will be considered.

All males 18 and older must be registered with the Selective Service before submitting an application to work in our government-funded program. You may register at www.sss.gov.

We are an equal opportunity employer/program provider
Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

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