

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Eligibility

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Ages 14-21 inclusive (at the time of registration) **and**

Legal residents of the State of RI **and** their local Workforce Area

Documented Low Income as defined by the WIA section 101 (25) **and**

Within one or more of the following barriers:

- Deficient in basic literacy skills – A score of 8.9 or below on a standardized test
- One or more grade levels below the grade level appropriate for their age
- School dropout
- Homeless, runaway or foster child
- Pregnant or parenting youth
- Offender
- Youth with a Disability

Documentation is required for: Age, Address, US Citizenship/Alien Status, Social Security Number and Income. Males over the age of 18 will be required to provide proof of Registration with Selective Service.

Low-income individuals must meet the Workforce Investment Act income guidelines, not to exceed 70% of the Lower Living Standards. The 2009 LLSIL is listed below for reference. These guidelines may be revised for 2010, in which case the newer figures will be used for eligibility.

2009 70% LLSIL (Use 6-mo. figures in determining income eligibility)

Family Size	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six
6 Months	\$5,415	\$7,789	\$10,690	\$13,196	\$15,574	\$18,212
Annual	\$10,830	\$15,578	\$21,739	\$26,392	\$31,148	\$36,424