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Apprentice Specific

WA Grant for Apprentices

Includes funding for qualified apprentices in a variety of programs in Washington. Eligible apprentices can receive money to cover costs associated with their apprenticeship program. Call (888) 535-0747 or visit https://wsac.wa.gov/wcg-apprentices

<u>ARC</u>

The Apprentice Resource Center by ANEW provides employment navigation, support services, and case management to those who qualify.

Call (206) 710-1020 or visit

https://anewcareer.org/programs/aop-apprenticeship-opportunities-project/

Foundation for Working Families (Union)

Non-profit organization established by the Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO and its affiliates to assist union families in Washington state in times of hardship or disaster. Visit https://www.wslc.org/ffwf/

Childcare

<u>WCCC</u>

Working Connections Child Care helps eligible families pay for child care. When a family qualifies for child care subsidy benefits and chooses an eligible provider, the state pays a portion of the cost of child care.

Call (844) 626-8687 or visit https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/services/earlylearningchildcare/getting-help/wccc

Clothing

Rosie's Closet (King County)

Work clothing for women who are new to the work place, starting over or simply in need Call (206) 324-3372 or visit https://www.wawomenintrades.com/rosie-s-closet

Employment

<u>BFET</u>

Basic Food Employment and Training program provides employment readiness opportunities to Basic Food (SNAP) recipients who are not participating in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families.

Visit https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/community-partnership-program/basic-food-employment-training-bfet/find-providers

<u>Home</u>

Hopelink (King County)

Job and Career coaching and Worksource connections. Call (425) 250-3030 or visit https://www.hopelink.org/programs/employment-services/

<u>C.T.P.</u>

The Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle's Construction Trades Program is dedicated to assisting and preparing individuals to enter pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship opportunities while assisting them overcome barriers that are in place, especially for underrepresented individuals who are striving for a career in construction trades.

Call (206) 348-2675 or visit https://urbanleague.org/priorityhire/

Worksource

A statewide partnership of state, local and nonprofit agencies that provides an array of employment and training services to job seekers and employers in Washington. Visit https://seeker.worksourcewa.com/

Financial

Working Families Tax Credit

The Washington Working Families Tax Credit is a refund of retail sales or use tax for low-tomoderate income Washington residents who meet certain eligibility requirements. Visit https://workingfamiliescredit.wa.gov/

LIHEAP

Commerce's Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program aims to help low-income households in Washington State receive affordable, dependable utility services and avoid disconnection.

Visit https://www.commerce.wa.gov/community-opportunities/liheap/

<u>TANF</u>

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families provides temporary, monthly cash to eligible families. Families must include a pregnant individual or minor child. Some families are required to participate in the WorkFirst program, which helps participants find and keep jobs. Call (877) 501-2233 or visit https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/communityservices-offices/temporary-assistance-needy-families

Hopelink (King County)

Low income energy assistance. Hopelink helps households reduce their home energy costs or avoid disconnection.

Call 425-869-6000 or visit https://www.hopelink.org/programs/energy/

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Byrd Barr Place (City of Seattle)

Byrd Barr Place offers essential services — food, shelter, warmth and financial tools — for neighbors in Seattle to build stability and self-sufficiency. Call 206-812-4940 or visit https://byrdbarrplace.org/

Food

Feeding Washington

Map of currently open WA food banks and meal programs. Visit https://feedingwashington.org/find-food/

<u>S.N.A.P.</u>

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, known as SNAP and called Basic Food in Washington, helps people with low incomes make ends meet by providing monthly benefits to buy food. (Formerly known as Food Stamps) Call (877) 501-2233 or visit https://www.washingtonconnection.org/home/

<u>W.I.C.</u>

The Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program is a place where families get healthy food and a lot more. WIC is for pregnant women, new and breast feeding parents, infants, and children under age 5. Services include nutrition education, breast feeding support, healthy foods, and health screenings and referrals.

Call (800) 322-2588 or visit https://doh.wa.gov/you-and-your-family/wic

Formerly Incarcerated

WELD Seattle (City of Seattle)

Housing, employment, and re-entry assistance for the formerly incarcerated residing in Seattle. Call (206) 571-4938 or visit https://www.weldseattle.org/

Healthcare and Mental Health

<u>O.I.C.</u>

The Office of the Insurance Commissioner has links to help find and pay for a health plan. Depending on your household income you may qualify for free healthcare, or financial assistance that would lower premiums and out-of-pocket expenses. Visit https://www.insurance.wa.gov/get-help-paying-coverage

Catholic Community Services (Western WA)

Mental Health services list for Western WA Call (206) 328-5696 or visit https://ccsww.org/our-services/mental-health-services/

Housing

Coordinated Entry

The WA Dept. of Commerce's list of Family and Adult coordinated entry sites for people experiencing homelessness, by county.

Visit https://deptofcommerce.app.box.com/v/CEAccessPoints

Catholic Community Services (Western WA)

Catholic Housing Services housing programs serve low-income individuals, families, seniors, and persons with special physical and mental needs, offering resident support services in addition to a clean and safe place to live.

Visit https://ccsww.org/our-services/housing/

Scholarships

Passport to Careers

The Passport to Careers program helps Washington students—specifically those who have been in various types of foster care or who have experienced unaccompanied homelessness—to prepare for careers.

Call (888) 535-0747 or visit https://wsac.wa.gov/passport/about

Career and Technical Scholarship

This WA State Opportunity Scholarship program provides up to \$1,500 per quarter for apprenticeship, certificate, or associate degree programs in STEM, health care, and the trades.

WSOS can cover costs beyond tuition, such as housing, transportation, food, and more.

Call (877) 899-5002 or visit

https://waopportunityscholarship.org/applicants/career-technical/

WA Grant for Apprentices (ANEW)

The WA Grant for Apprenticeship provides support service funding to assist apprentices with obstacles they may face on their path to Journey Level Certification. ANEW is a Financial Aid Office for the WG-A.

Call (206) 710-2195 or visit

https://anewcareer.org/programs/washington-grant-for-apprenticeships/

WA Award for Vocational Excellence

Apprenticeship students taking related supplemental instruction through a state community or technical college are eligible for the WAVE scholarship.

Call (888) 535-0747 or visit https://wtb.wa.gov/wave/

Transportation

ORCA (King, Kitsap, Pierce, & Snohomish Counties)

Reduced fair public transit for low income individuals. Call (888) 988-6722 or visit https://www.myorca.com/

Subsidized Annual Bus Pass (King County)

Free annual bus pass for those who qualify for certain state benefits. Call (800) 756-5437 or visit https://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/metro/fares-and-payment/reduced-fares/subsidized-annual-pass

Lyft Up (Cities of Seattle & Tacoma)

United Way and Goodwill offer rides to job interviews, job training sites, and/or a job. Visit https://www.lyft.com/lyftup/jobs-access/get-help

Lime Access (Cities of Seattle & Spokane)

Discounts on Lime bike and scooter rides to those who qualify. Text (888) 495-5014 or visit https://www.li.me/why/community/lime-access

Village Vans (Thurston County)

Provides free transportation for employment-related activities to people with low incomes in the Olympia, Lacey, and Tumwater greater urban areas.

Call (360) 705-5840 or visit

https://www.intercitytransit.com/services/village-vans

Veterans

<u>GI Bill</u>

GI Bill benefits help you pay for school and cover expenses while you're training for a job. Veterans pursuing apprenticeship may be eligible to receive their GI Bill benefits while in training.

Call (888) 442-4551 or visit https://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/

<u>VR& E</u>

If you have a service-connected disability that limits your ability to work or prevents you from working, Veteran Readiness and Employment helps you explore employment options and address education or training needs.

Call (800) 698-2411 or visit

https://www.va.gov/careers-employment/vocational-rehabilitation/

Additional Resource Lists

<u>211</u>

Washington 211 provides the most current and comprehensive database of community resources in the State of Washington (over 30,000 listings), which serves as a central access point for connecting Washington residents to community resources. Call 211 or visit https://wa211.org/

Call 211 of VISIC https://waz11.org/

DSHS DCS Community Resources

An interactive map that shows resources by location. Visit https://gis.dshs.wa.gov/apps/local-perspective/index.html

Career Connect Support Resources

Search for resource types by zip code. Visit https://careerconnectwa.org/support-resources/

Community Action Agencies

The Washington State Community Action Partnership has a network of 30 CAAs that help lowincome individuals and families in all 39 counties of Washington State. Visit https://wapartnership.org/agencies

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