## **WORK FIRST FAMILY ASSISTANCE (WFFA)**

414 E. Main Street

Work First Administrative Support: 919-560-8347 and 919-560-8350

# **PURPOSE**



Work First, which includes Work First Family Assistance and Work First Employment Services, is a temporary financial and employment assistance program designed to promote self-sufficiency.

See also Work First Employment Services.

### **SERVICES**

- Cash Assistance Monthly Check
- Medical Assistance for Family
- Child Support Referrals
- Referrals to Non- Public Assistance Food Stamps
- Referrals to Family Crisis Unit and/or Daycare
- Referrals for substance abuse counseling
- Referrals to family violence prevention program
- Referrals to Social Security Administration, NC Vocational Rehabilitation, Veteran's Administration, NC Department of Commerce Division of Employment Services
- Services to families to eliminate barriers to employment

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Individuals who are primary caretakers for children under age 18 who meet the income and resource guidelines for the Work First Family Assistance Program.

- Must be a Durham County resident
- Must be the primary caretaker for a child in the home under age 18
- Household income and resources must meet Work First Program guidelines.
- Must cooperate with Child Support.

- Must cooperate and participate with employment services in pursuing employment.
- Must sign and cooperate with Mutual Responsibility Agreement.

### **APPLICATION**

Work First intake is conducted on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between the hours of 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM.

Applicants are not required to provide anything at the time of intake in order to apply. However, verification of identity, income, and assets may be required during the application processing period. Social security numbers and birth certificates for everyone on the case will be required. Applicants may find it helpful to bring verification items with them to the interview. Processing time can be 45 days.

#### **REFERRALS**

We partner with many agencies, including:

**Durham Housing Authority** 

Durham County Health Dept.

**Opportunity Place** 

Salvation Army

Alliance Behavioral Healthcare (formerly Durham Center)

**Big Sibling Program** 

Operation Breakthrough

Women In Action

**Durham Public Schools** 

Various Faith Organizations

**Various Homeless Shelters** 

Genesis Home

Child Advocacy

**Durham Urban Ministries** 

Housing for New Hope

**Community Employers** 

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**RELATED TOPICS:** Work First Employment Services; Child Support Enforcement; Food & Nutrition Services; Child Care (DACCA); Family Crisis; Family and Children's Medicaid/North Carolina Health Choice

## **REFUGEE CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Refugees who resettle in the USA may apply for financial assistance as a source of income to sustain themselves until they become self-sufficient.

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