

WORK FIRST EMPLOYMENT SERVICES (WFES)

414 E. Main Street

Work First Support: 919-560-8350



PURPOSE

Work First Employment Services provides many services to former or current Work First recipients to help them eliminate barriers employment and/or retaining employment.

See also Work First Family Assistance.

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

- Job Development
- Transportation – Such as bus passes, car repairs, shuttle services and others
- Child Care Services to support work related activities
- Vocational or Skills Training -- Such as course work, short-term classes, certifications, etc.
- Participation Expenses – Such as uniforms, tuition fees, books, job related fees
- Work Related Expenses – Such as uniforms, tuition fees, books while employed.
- Job Readiness/Job Search Classes
- Clothing Assistance
- Transportation assistance for former employed recipients
- Family Violence Counseling, Vocational Rehabilitation, NC Department of Commerce Division of Employment Services

ELIGIBILITY

Services are provided to individuals who otherwise meet the income and resource guidelines for the Work First Family Assistance program (see that section). There may be specific criteria depending on services needed by the individual.

APPLICATION

Work First Orientation/Intake is conducted on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Other requests for employment related services are handled by appointments, walk-ins or telephone calls.

REFERRALS

Work First makes referrals in partnership with many agencies, including:

- *Vocational Rehabilitation
- *Salvation Army
- *Opportunity Place
- *Durham Alliance Behavioral Health
- *Urban Ministries
- *Durham Chamber of Commerce
- *Family First Program (Faith Communities)
- *Durham Crisis and Response
- *Genesis Home
- *Center for Employment Training
- *Operation Breakthrough
- *Durham Housing Authority
- *Women in Action
- *On site Employment Services Commission
- *Off site Employment Services Commission
- *Durham Technical Community College
- *Durham Literacy Council
- *NC Department of Commerce Division of Employment Services
- *Local Employers
- *Dress for Success
- *Job Link
- *Local Training Centers and sites

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

RELATED TOPICS: Work First Family Assistance; Child Support Enforcement; Food & Nutrition Services; Child Care (DACCA); Family and Children's North Carolina Health Choice.