

FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES

The Federal Poverty Guidelines are revised annually. The chart displays income levels by household size for 150% and 175% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG).

Size of Household	12-Month Income Limit		30-Day Income Limit	
	150%	175%	150%	175%
1	\$18,735.00	\$21,857.50	\$1,561.25	\$1,821.46
2	\$25,365.00	\$29,592.50	\$2,113.75	\$2,466.04
3	\$31,995.00	\$37,327.50	\$2,666.25	\$3,110.63
4	\$38,625.00	\$45,062.50	\$3,218.75	\$3,755.21
5	\$45,255.00	\$52,797.50	\$3,771.25	\$4,399.79
6	\$51,885.00	\$60,532.50	\$4,323.75	\$5,044.38
7	\$58,515.00	\$68,267.50	\$4,876.25	\$5,688.96
8	\$65,145.00	\$76,002.50	\$5,428.75	\$6,333.54

When determining 150% of the FPG, households with more than eight members must add \$6,630.00 to the yearly income or \$552.50 to the 30-day income for each additional member. When determining 175% of the FPG, households with more than eight members must add \$7,735.00 to the yearly income or \$644.58 to the 30-day income for each additional member.

E-2.3 Determining Household Eligible Income

A household's total Countable Income less any deductions for either a 30-day or 12-month period is used to determine the household's FPG. Countable Income is defined by the following categories:

1. Fixed Countable Income

- Income received that is the same amount for each payment on a consistent basis, such as Social Security Benefits, Pensions and Supplemental Security Income.

2. Earned Countable Income

- Income derived from active participation in a trade or business, including wages, salary, tips, commission and bonuses.

3. Other Earned Countable Income

- Earned income from seasonal employment includes construction workers, landscapers, teachers, etc. that are not paid all year. This income category refers to household members who work on a 12-month contract but will be paid over a period of less than 12 months, as they are considered to receive seasonal employment income. School district employees are a common example of this situation. For example, some teachers get paid for 9 months but have a 12-month contract.
- Earned income from self-employment:
 - Self-employed individuals are permitted to deduct IRS allowable business expenses when determining income for program eligibility.
 - Self-employed individuals may provide a copy of their most recent filed IRS Form 1040 (Appendix IX). The amount listed on line 12, 17 and/or 18 must be used to determine business income. Individuals submitting Form 1040 do not need to complete a Self-Employment Income and Expense Form.
- For non-filing individuals, a Self-Employment Income and Expense Form (Appendix V) must be completed along with an IRS Verification of Non-Filing Letter (if applicable)

4. Supplemental Countable Income

- Supplemental Countable Income is income that supplements other income in the home.