Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Age Requirements 0-5 , 6-12 Available 24/7 No Other Eligibility Criteria Must reside in Smyth County. Up to age 18 Family Yes Intake Process Call office for more information; Application required for most benefits and services. You can also go to CommonHelp online to apply for benefits **Provider Refer** Yes Self Refer Yes Smyth County Department of Social Services http://www.smythcountydss.org/ http://www.smythcountydss.org/tanf.html Main (276) 783-8148 121 Bagley Circle, Suite 200 24354 VA **United States** Monday: 8:15 am-5:00 pm Tuesday: 8:15 am-5:00 pm Wednesday: 8:15 am-5:00 pm Thursday: 8:15 am-5:00 pm Friday: 8:15 am-5:00 pm Saturday: Closed Sunday: Closed Fee Structure

No Fee Languages Spoken English

Smyth County Department of Social Services offers the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. TANF provides eligible families with a monthly cash payment to meet their basic needs if the family is responsible for the care of a minor child. Participants may be provided with services such as job skills training, work experience, job readiness training, child care assistance, transportation, and other work related expenses.

An eligible child must be under age 18, or if 18, will graduate from high school before age 19, going to school regularly if he is between the ages of five and 18, living with a parent or other relative and a U.S. citizen or an eligible immigrant.

The TANF program initiative has time to limited benefits, a strong work requirement, and a social contract that sets out the responsibilities of and expectations for recipients of public assistance and the government.

CommonHelp is the Commonwealth of Virginia's fast and easy way to apply online for many Virginia social services assistance programs. Through a single online site, you can find out what assistance you might be eligible for and submit one application saving you time and effort. Apply for Benefit Programs online at <u>CommonHelp</u> or by telephone by calling 1-855-635-4370.

Service Area(s) Smyth County