## **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)**

Age Requirements

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6-12

Available 24/7

No

Other Eligibility Criteria

There must be a child in the home under age 18, who will graduate from high school before the age 19, and the child is going to school regularly, if they are between ages 15 and 18.

Family

Yes

**Intake Process** 

Telephone referral; appointment required. You can apply online at CommonHelp Residency Requirements

Serves residents of Lancaster County.

Self Refer

Yes

Lancaster County Department of Social Services

http://www.lancova.com/page1.asp?pageID=111

https://www.dss.virginia.gov/benefit/tanf/index.cgi

Main

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Monday: 8:00 am-4:30 pm Tuesday: 8:00 am-4:30 pm Wednesday: 8:00 am-4:30 pm Thursday: 8:00 am-4:30 pm Friday: 8:00 am-4:30 pm

Saturday: Closed Sunday: Closed Fee Structure

No Fee

Languages Spoken

English

Lancaster 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. You can apply for Benefit Programs online at CommonHelp or by telephone by calling 1-855-635-4370.

Service Area(s) Lancaster County