

SUPPORTS FOR WORKING FAMILIES

In New York State:

- More than 865,000 children are poor that is nearly 1 in every 5 children;
- 1.3 million of the uninsured are eligible for free or low-cost health insurance but not enrolled;
- 1 in 3 of the 2.7 million New Yorkers eligible for Food Stamps are not receiving it;
- 1 out of 5 eligible families did not claim the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC);
- Fewer than 1 in 4 low income children participate in the School Breakfast Program.

Families should not have to choose between rent, food and health care. However, families make these difficult choices every day because they are not aware of available public benefits. For this reason, the Children's Defense Fund-New York provides training opportunities and presentations for organizations like yours so you can learn how to help families access the public benefits they are entitled to, including public health insurance, food stamps, child nutrition programs, and tax credits through its "Supports for Working Families Initiative."

In order for children to have a fair start in life, families must begin by having the resources they need. In addition to a pay check, participation in public programs can boost a family's income and enable them to not only meet their basic needs but begin to save, establish credit, accumulate assets and move out of poverty.

TRAININGS

ALL TRAINING SESSIONS ARE FREE OF CHARGE. THE TRAINING SESSIONS WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH:

- An understanding of each of benefit program including how it works, who is eligible, available benefits, and the application process;
- Resources on where New Yorkers can receive assistance with applying for public benefits; and
- Outreach and advocacy opportunities on public benefits.
- An understanding of the importance of budgeting, saving and using credit wisely.

WE WILL EXAMINE THE FOLLOWING:

- Public health insurance (Child Health Plus A & B, Medicaid and Family Health Plus);
- Food stamps;
- Child nutrition programs (School Breakfast, School Lunch, Summer Meals, After-School Food, and WIC);
- Tax credits (Earned Income, Child and Advance Earned Income Tax Credits); and
- Basic financial education (goal setting, budgeting, saving, banking, credit and borrowing).

MENU OF TRAINING OPTIONS

For more information contact
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or (212) 697-2323, ext. 122.

Please note: All sessions include immigrant access and eligibility issues. Trainings are typically 60 minutes but can be customized to fit your needs. Please provide space for groups larger than 15, otherwise training sessions will be held at CDF-NY. First preference will be given to groups guaranteeing 15 or more participants.

A - "Insuring New York's Families through Free and Low Cost Public Health Insurance"

B - "Increasing Food Purchasing Power through the Food Stamp Program"

C - "Linking New York's Children to Nutritious Meals"

D - "Boosting Family Income through Tax Credits"

E - "Helping Immigrant Families Navigate the Maze of Public Benefits"

F - "An Overview of Public Benefit Programs"

G - "Become a Money Smart Family" Part 1: Budgeting, Saving, and Banking

H - "Become a Money Smart Family" Part 2: Credit and Borrowing

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TRAINING REQUEST: Please complete this form and fax it to the Children's Defense Fund - New York at 212/697-0566. For more information, or if you have questions please call 212/697-2323. Please let us know if you have any special needs.

Name Of Organization: _____ Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Training Requested: A- Public Health Insurance B- Food Stamps C- Child Nutrition

D- Tax Credits E- Immigrants and Public Benefits F- Overview Public Benefits

G - Money Smart Part 1 H - Money Smart Part 2

Audience: Staff Community Other: _____

Number of people expected: _____ Proposed date of session: _____ Proposed length of session: _____

Location for training/workshop: _____

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"Supports for Working Families"