

Working Families Tax Credit Listening Session

Welcome! We will begin shortly. ¡Bienvenidos/as! Comenzaremos en breve.



Welcome!

Meeting guidelines

- All attendees are **muted** upon entry.
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- **Submit a comment** to *Chat Everyone*. Do not chat personal information.
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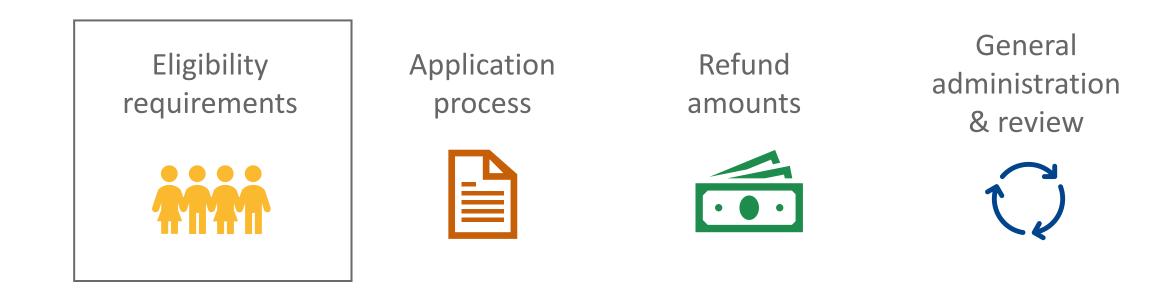
About the Working Families Tax Credit

- A new tax credit for Washington workers!
- Provides payments up to \$1,200 to **individuals** and **families** who meet certain eligibility requirements.
- Payments are based on income level and the number of qualifying children.
- Applications open in 2023.

About today's listening session

- What is the draft rule?
- How to make your voice heard?
- What's next?





Eligibility requirements: SSN and ITIN

Applicants (and their qualifying children) must have a valid Social Security Number (SSN) or a valid Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).



Do you have any concerns about providing a valid SSN or ITIN for yourself and your qualifying children?





Eligibility requirements: Federal income tax return

Applicants must properly file a federal income tax return for the period for which they are claiming the credit. "Properly filed" means it fulfills all requirements for the federal government to process the return.



Do you have any concerns about providing a copy of your filed federal income tax return?



Eligibility requirements: Residency (1 of 3)

Applicants must live in Washington, which means that they were physically present and lived in Washington for at least 183 days during the year for which they are claiming the credit.



Do you have concerns about being able to establish residency based on this standard?

Eligibility requirements: Residency (2 of 3)

- Washington driver's license.
- Washington ID card.
- Utility bills.
- Landlord statements.
- Rental agreement or lease.
- Mortgage statements.
- Public benefits verification letters or statements.
- Community-based organization letters of recommendation, vouchers, or testimonials.
- School records.



Do you have concerns about providing one or more of the following documents as proof of residency?



Eligibility requirements: Residency (3 of 3)

An applicant who is experiencing homelessness may not have access to the documents listed on the previous slide to prove residency.



Do you have concerns about providing a residency attestation letter from a community organization?



What other types of documentation should we consider accepting to show proof of residency?



Eligibility requirements



Application process

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Refund amounts



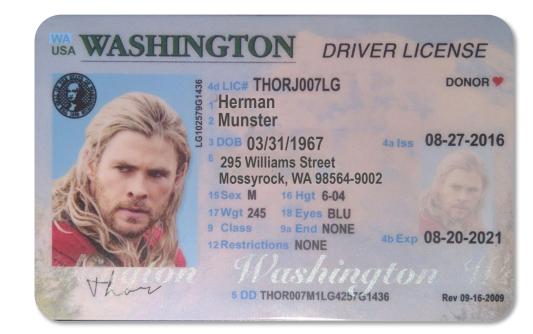
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Application requirements: Photo ID



Do you have concerns about providing a copy of a photo ID issued by a federal, state, tribal, or local government agency?



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Program administration: Hearings

If an applicant disagrees with a decision made by the Department, they can request a hearing. These hearings are currently offered by phone, video conference, and in-person at our **Tumwater** and **Seattle** locations.

Which method(s) do you prefer for hearings?

- A. Phone.
- B. Video conference.
- C. In-person meeting.



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Program administration: Hearings



If the Department was to offer in-person hearings at one of our eastern Washington locations, would you use this service?



Upcoming public hearing

During the **recorded** public hearing we will review the rule in a more formal setting. We will also collect your full name and any comments you provide for the official rulemaking.



If you plan to attend the public hearing, do you have any questions or concerns regarding this event?



How can we reach you?

How would you like to stay informed about the status of this draft rule?

- A. Email subscription/mailing list.
- B. Website.
- C. Community organization.
- D. Flyers/Brochures.
- E. Social media.
- F. Other?



Thank you for attending!

Provide more feedback



Take a **survey** at <u>dor.wa.gov/JoinUs</u>. Survey closes May 6, 2022.

Email your feedback about the draft rule to <u>ChelseaB@dor.wa.gov</u>.



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