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What is the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)?

WIOA is landmark legislation that is designed to strengthen and improve our nation's public workforce system and help get Americans, including those with significant barriers to employment, into high-quality jobs and careers and help employers hire and retain skilled workers.

WIOA was signed into law on July 22, 2014. WIOA is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy. Congress passed the Act with a wide bipartisan majority; it is the first legislative reform of the public workforce system since 1998.

What Counties are Serviced by WIOA at the American Indian Center of Arkansas?

All Arkansas counties are serviced by WIOA at the American Indian Center of Arkansas.

What are the eligibility requirements for participation in WIOA at the American Indian Center of Arkansas? Must be 18 or older

- Participants must be a member of a Native American Tribe with proof of membership, Native Alaskan, or Native Hawaiian or provide documentation to direct lineage tracing them back to a family member who is a member of a federally recognized Native American Tribe.
- Resident of Arkansas.
- Be unemployed, under-employed, low income, the recipient of a lay-off notice, or need employment training services to obtain or retain employment leading to self-sufficiency.
- If applicant is male and born after 1960, he must be registered with the Selective Service.

What documentation is required for participation in WIOA at the American Indian Center of Arkansas?

- Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood letter or Card, tribal enrollment letter, or tribal membership card.
- Documentation that notes proof of residency: Personal Property Assessment, utility bill, or statement from college/university or shelter noting residence.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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What is the Workforce Opportunity of Rural Communities (WORC) Initiative?

The purpose of the WORC Initiative is to fund grants that support economic mobility, address historic inequities for marginalized communities of color and other underserved and underrepresented communities, and produce high-quality employment outcomes for workers who live or work in the Delta communities in Arkansas, enabling them to remain and thrive in these communities. The WORC Initiative is designed to address persistent economic distress by aligning community-led economic and workforce development strategies and activities to ensure long-term economic resilience and enable workers in the regions to succeed in current and future job opportunities.

What Counties are Serviced by the WORC Initiative at the American Indian Center of Arkansas?

All AR counties with emphasis on Clay, Greene, Craighead, Mississippi, Poinsett, Cross, Crittenden, St Francis, White, Pulaski, Lonoke, Prairie, Monroe, Lee, Phillips, Grant, Jefferson, Arkansas, Dallas, Drew, Desha, and Chicot counties.

What are the eligibility requirements for participation in the WORC initiative at the American Indian Center of Arkansas? Must be 18 or older

- Participants must be a member of a Native American Tribe with proof of membership, Native Alaskan, or Native Hawaiian or provide documentation to direct lineage tracing them back to a family member who is a member of a federally recognized Native American Tribe,
- Resident of Arkansas and reside in one of the above-mentioned Delta Counties.
- Be unemployed, under-employed, low income, the recipient of a lay-off notice, or need employment training services to obtain or retain employment leading to self-sufficiency.
- If applicant is male and born after 1960, he must be registered with the Selective Service.

What documentation is required for participation in the WORC initiative at the American Indian Center of Arkansas?

- Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood letter or Card, tribal enrollment letter, or tribal membership card.
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WIOA/WORC ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION

Last name _____ First Name _____

Middle initial _____ Social Security# _____

Phone# _____ Date of birth _____

Physical Address Number & street, Apt# _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ County _____

Mailing Address if different Number & street, Apt# _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ County _____

Applicant's email address _____

Emergency contact:

Name _____ Phone# _____ Relationship _____

Is the applicant homeless or at risk of homelessness? Yes _____ No _____

Number of people in household? _____

Receiving public assistance? (Check all that apply)

None _____ TANF _____ Suppl. Nutrition Assistance(SNAP) _____ State or local welfare _____

Social Security Disability(SSDI) _____ Supplemental Security Income _____

Subsidized housing _____ Other _____

Is the applicant a member of a Federally recognized Tribe? Yes _____ No _____

Tribal Affiliation/Nation _____

What assistance are you seeking? _____

Is the applicant currently (mark one): Employed ___ Employed with notice of termination___ Not employed___
if unemployed what is the last day of employment? _____

Total annual income: \$ _____

Does the applicant currently have an open unemployment claim? Yes_ No_

Is the applicant unlikely to return to a previous industry/occupation and in need of retraining for future employment?
Yes_ No_

Is the applicant a veteran or the spouse of a veteran? Yes__ No_

Is the applicant a displaced homemaker? Yes__ No__

Does the applicant receive Disability assistance? Yes__ No__

Does applicant have low employment prospects? Yes__ No__

Has the applicant formerly been incarcerated? Yes__ No__

Has the applicant ever been convicted of a felony? Yes__ No_

If yes, please explain _____

Gender: Male__ Female__ Other__ Prefer not to answer__

*If applicant is male and born before 1960, is he registered for the Selective Service? Yes__ No__

<https://www.sss.gov/register/> to register for Selective Services If not you will need to do this before your intake interview.

Ethnicity: Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? Yes_ No_

Race (check all that apply):

___ American Indian or
Alaskan Native

___ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

___ Other

___ African American

___ Prefer not to answer

___ Caucasian

___ Asian

Education: What is the last grade applicant completed? _____

Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Yes__ No__

if yes,

provide primary language _____

Low Literary Skills? Yes__ No__

Optional:

Has applicant ever been/currently being treated for Substance Use Disorder (SUD)? Yes_ No Does applicant
have any other barriers to employment? Please specify _____

I hereby certify that the above information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if I intentionally provide inaccurate information, I may be terminated from the WORCIWIOA program and may be subject to legal penalties.

Applicants signature _____ Date _____



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RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Professional ethics and the (WIOA) WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITIES ACT regulations prohibit the exchange of information concerning an individual without the written permission of the individual involved.

I, _____, am applying for services through the American Indian Center of Arkansas (AICA) from the WIOA/WORC program. I am fully aware that verification of information is required to determine my eligibility for participation in this program and to track my progress.

I hereby authorize and direct the organizations listed below to release information to the American Indian Center of Arkansas starting with the date of application and ending eighteen months after the date of exit from WIOA/WORC program.

I further authorize the American Indian Center of Arkansas to share information with the organizations listed below and other programs employees of AICA to facilitate my participation in WIOA/WORC programs and other programs I may qualify for.

Signature of Applicant

Date

The organizations that may be asked to release information include:

- Training Providers
- Public/Private Education Institutions
- Selective Services
- Social Security Administration
- Counseling Agencies
- Tribal Offices
- Past, Present and Potential Employers
- Department of Labor
- Other: _____

The American Indian Center of Arkansas will only solicit information that is necessary and relevant to program operations and will treat such information as confidential. Information will not be released to any unauthorized person, organization, or agency.



Photo Release Form

I hereby grant The American Indian Center of Arkansas permission to use my likeness in photograph(s) Video(s) in any and all of its publications and in any and all other media, whether now known or hereafter existing, controlled by The American Indian Center of Arkansas. I will make no monetary or other claim against The American Indian Center of Arkansas for the use of the photograph(s) Video(s).

Name (print full name) _____

Signature _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP _____

Phone Number _____