Rhode Island Department of Human Services

Rhode Island Works
Post-Employment Benefit

What is the Post-Employment Benefit?

Post-Employment Benefit (PEB) is a new benefit program for participants who are closing their RI Works case due to securing employment. PEB provides $200 a month in cash assistance to support customers' journey to self-sustainability. This benefit is available for up to 12 months in a lifetime.

Eligibility Criteria Includes:

- Maintaining at least 30 hours of employment per week for a single parent, or 35 hours per week for a two-parent household.
- Household income is less than 250% of the federal poverty level
- Closure of the customer's RI Works case occurred in the last 60 days.

Customers must sign a form stating they understand the PEB benefit and are voluntarily participating.

Additional Information About PEB:

- Benefits will be issued to current EBT cards on the first of each month
- PEB is countable income for all other DHS benefit programs
- This benefit adds time (months) to the customer's lifetime clock for RI Works.
- PEB is voluntary
- Receiving PEB gives you continued eligibility for the monthly WAVE funds through Medical Transportation Management (MTM) and financial literacy classes
- Active PEB participants in the month of August also receive the annual clothing allowance for children that is received by RI Works participants
- PEB does not affect eligibility for the Child Care Assistance Program

If you want to learn more, contact your case manager or Employment and Career Advisor (ECA) to determine if you meet the eligibility criteria. Your case manager and/or ESA will help you understand the impact of the benefit on your household, and other general customer responsibilities.

Have More Questions? Visit our website: www.dhs.ri.gov
Call: 1-855-MY-RIDHS (1-855-697-4347) Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri, except holidays, from 8:30AM-3:00PM
Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Customer Service: 1-888-979-9939

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