

FoodShare Employment and Training (FSET) Program

What is the FoodShare Employment and Training (FSET) program?

The FSET program is a no-cost program that helps FoodShare members build their job skills and find jobs. As of April 1, 2015, certain adults may need to meet a work requirement to keep getting FoodShare benefits. One way to meet the requirement is by participating in the FSET program.

Getting Started

First, you must be enrolled in FoodShare. Your agency (see page 2) can refer you to the FSET service provider in your area. You will then meet with a staff person from the FSET service provider to talk about your job needs and goals. The staff person will be able to show you how to use helpful job search tools.

FSET can help with:

- Job searches and job referrals
- Job skills assessment
- Career planning
- Job training and education
- Work experience
- Transportation, child care and other workrelated costs
- Referrals to other community services
- Meeting the work requirement

Time-Limited FoodShare and the Work Requirement

Certain adults ages 18 through 49 who do not have any children under age 18 living in the home may need to meet a work requirement to keep getting FoodShare benefits. If you need to meet the work requirement and do not meet it, you may only get three months of FoodShare benefits in a 36-month (three-year) period. Some adults may also be considered exempt and may not need to meet the work requirement if any of the following are true:

- You are living with a child under age 18, who is part of the same FoodShare household.
- You are the primary caregiver for a person who cannot care for himself or herself.
- You are the primary caregiver for a dependent child under age 6.
- You are physically or mentally unable to work.
- You are pregnant.
- You are receiving or have applied for unemployment insurance.
- You are taking part in an alcohol or other drug abuse (AODA) treatment program.
- You are enrolled in an institution of higher learning at least half-time.
- You are a high school student age 18 or older, attending high school at least half-time.

Note: You may need to provide proof that you meet an exemption.

Meeting the Work Requirement through FSET

Taking part in the FSET program is not required in order to get FoodShare benefits, but for those adults who need to meet the work requirement to continue getting their benefits, taking part in FSET is one way to meet the work requirement.

What about child care and transportation?

If you need child care, transportation, or other support services in order to take part in the FSET program, we may be able to help. To learn more, talk with your FoodShare or FSET worker.

How can I learn more?

- Visit <u>dhs.wi.gov/foodshare</u> or
- Contact your local agency.

To find your agency, go to dhs.wisconsin.gov/ forwardhealth/customerhelp/index.htm, see page 2 of this fact sheet, or call Member Services at 1-800-362-3002 (TTY and translation services are available).

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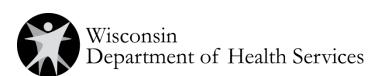
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