Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What is WIOA?** WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act) is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and supportive services to succeed in the labor market. WIOA training funds are designed to serve laid-off individuals, older youth and adults who are in need of training to enter or re-enter the labor market.

2. **Why can't I apply for the WIOA Program today?** A scheduled date and time for enrollment will be announced. Job seekers will be notified via email, website and/or media.

3. **I was not selected for the WIOA training program. Why?** Enrollment in the training programs are based on eligibility and availability. Applicants who meet requirements will increase their chances of admission.

4. **I completed a training program years ago. Can I apply for WIOA again?** Special circumstances such as a lay-off or company closure (through no-fault of your own) could permit one to receive additional training sponsored by WIOA.

5. **I couldn't complete the training program when I enrolled. Can I re-apply?** Unfortunately, medical emergencies, starting a new job, etc. does not usurp federal guidelines. An applicant who does not complete training during the said enrollment period will not be eligible for additional training programs.

6. **Why do I need to register with employment services prior to applying for WIOA?** Federal guidelines require job seekers register in order to receive employment assistance upon completion of training program.

7. **What are Dislocated Workers, Displaced Homemakers and Adults?** Dislocated Workers are individuals laid off from their job through no fault of their own, received a notice of layoff as a result of permanent closure, or any substantial layoff at a plant, facility or enterprise. Self-employed and unemployed persons qualify due to natural disaster or general economic conditions. If an individual quits/resigns work, they are not considered a dislocated worker.

8. **I did not qualify for training for failure to register for selective service. Why?** According to Section 453(a), Military Selective Service Act, a man must register with Selective Service within 30 days of his 18th birthday. Selective Service can accept a late registration but not after a man has reached his 26th birthday. Men who failed to register during the said time will NOT be eligible for federal student loans and grant programs, federal job training under the Workforce Investment Opportunity Act, federal jobs or security clearance as a contractor and U.S. citizenship for immigrants.

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MobileWORKS
Training Scholarships
2016 - 2017

1. Apply to preferred program after consulting with training provider.
2. Meet eligibility requirements for WIOA funding.
3. Receive admission to training program.
4. Select preferred training program.

Located in the
Alabama Career Center 515 Springhill Plaza Ct
Mobile, AL 36608
www.mobile-works.org
The following documents are needed to process an application for WIOA training scholarships.

1. Social Security Card. If you don’t have a social security card, you can go to the social security office located at 550 Government Street. Take your birth certificate with you to apply for a card.

2. Alabama driver license or VALID Alabama state issued ID Card.

3. Proof of family’s household income for the last six months. If you receive SNAP benefits (food stamps), please bring your card. If you’re included in your parent’s food stamp budget, the parent must be present to sign a SNAP (food stamp) Release of Information Form.

4. Parent, guardian or responsible adult must be present. Applicants 18 and under and enrolling in youth programs must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or responsible adult (via letter granting permission for designated adult to sign on behalf of parent) if enrolling in a youth program. If the 18 year old client is homeless and lives in a group home, the staff will sign for them and no income is needed.

5. Disabled clients will be eligible, if a letter is sent from the school, Vocational Rehabilitation Service, or a counselor confirming the disability.