

Aged, Blind, or Disabled Program

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The Aged, Blind or Disabled program assists eligible, low-income adults who are aged 65 or older, blind or determined likely to meet federal Supplemental Security Income disability criteria.

ABD Program Benefits

- Monthly cash grant
- Referral to the Housing and Essential Needs (HEN) program
- Help applying for federal SSI and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits
- Case management and support

How do I apply?

1. Submit an application by using any of the following methods:
 - Visit your local [Community Services Office](#) in person.
 - Call **877-501-2233** by phone.
 - Visit [washingtonconnection.org](https://www.washingtonconnection.org) online.
 - Fax 888-338-7410.
 - Mail to DSHS, PO Box 11699, Tacoma, WA 98411.
2. Complete a financial interview in person or by phone at **877-501-2233** between the hours of 8 a.m. – 2 p.m., Monday – Friday.
3. If you meet financial eligibility, you will be referred to a Social Service Specialist to determine your medical eligibility for the ABD or HEN Referral program.

Housing and Essential Needs Referral Program

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If you are not eligible for the Aged, Blind or Disabled program but you are unable to work for at least 90 days due to a physical or mental impairment, you may receive a referral to the Housing and Essential Needs program.



After you receive a referral, you will need to contact your local HEN provider to see if the following services are available:

- Personal hygiene and cleaning products.
- Transportation assistance.
- Rent and utility assistance, if you are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.
- Case management and support.

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