Guide to Benefits.gov for Students

What is Benefits.gov?

As the official benefits website of the U.S. government, Benefits.gov is dedicated to connecting citizens to available benefit programs. With information on over 1,200 programs, the program you're looking for could be just a few simple steps away. Benefits.gov can help you learn what benefits you may be eligible to receive and how to apply for these benefits.

How can Benefits.gov help you?

As a student, you face unique challenges and may qualify for assistance with your education, student loans, and aid applications, among other benefits.

What can you expect to find?

Here are just a few benefits for which you may be eligible:

- The **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** is an application used by virtually all two and four-year colleges, universities, and career schools for awarding Federal, state and college-funded student aid.
- The **Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students** program provides scholarships to full-time, financially needy students from disadvantaged backgrounds who are enrolled in health professions and nursing programs.
- The **Student Temporary Employment Program (STEP)** provides an opportunity to earn money and continue your education, to train with people who manage the day-to-day business of the federal government, and to combine your academic study with on-the-job experience.
- The **Youth Education and Training Activities** program provides grants to State and local communities to operate a comprehensive array of youth services that help low-income youth (ages 14-21) seeking assistance in achieving academic and employment success.
- ...And more!

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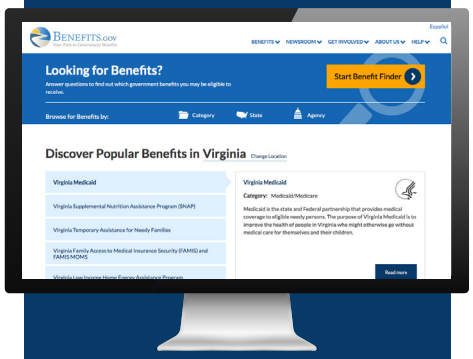
Your Path to Government Benefits

Get Started on your search today!

Click the confidential ***Benefit Finder*** on the homepage to begin answering questions about your current situation. You will be able to instantly view a list of benefits that you may be eligible for based on your responses.

Start Benefit Finder



Benefits.gov offers multiple ways to search for benefits. Click on the "Benefits" tab and browse by category, state or Federal agency to help you quickly find the government benefits you are looking for so you can start your application process and be on your way toward improving your life.

You can also search our site by clicking the ***search icon*** and typing a keyword or phrase into the Search box.