



Summary of Florida State and Federal Benefits:
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Florida Programs	Eligibility	Applying
Food Stamps	Live in the state of Florida; US citizen or qualified non-citizen; Social Security number or proof that application has been submitted for an SSN; Certain individuals may be required to cooperate with the State's child support enforcement agency to establish paternity and obtain child support; Households may have up to \$2000 in assets (e.g., bank accounts, property, but excluding the home you live in and cars worth less than \$8500); Households may have up to \$3,000 in assets if at least one person is 60+ years old or disabled.	Apply online at www.myflorida.com/accessflorida
KidCare (Children's Health Insurance)	Under 19 years old; Uninsured; US citizen or 'qualified non-citizen'; Meets income requirements.	Apply online at www.floridakidcare.org
Medicaid for Children	US citizen or qualified alien; Must have a child in the home; Child must live with adult; Income meets % Fed poverty standard; No asset limits.	Apply online at www.myflorida.com/accessflorida
Medicaid for Families	US citizen or qualified alien; Must have a child in the home; Child must live with adult; Child support cooperation; Income meets TCA payment standard; Assets less than \$2,000.	Apply online at www.myflorida.com/accessflorida
Medicaid for Medically Needy	US citizen or qualified alien; Must have a child in the home; Child must live with adult; Income meets Medically Needy standard; Assets less than \$5,000.	Apply online at www.myflorida.com/accessflorida
Medicaid for Pregnant Women	US citizen or qualified alien; Must have a child in the home; Child must live with adult; Income meets % Fed poverty standard; No asset limits.	Apply online at www.myflorida.com/accessflorida
Temporary Cash Assistance	Family has children under 18 (19 if enrolled in high school); Must participate in work activities; Meets income requirements; Not received assistance for more than lifetime limit of 48 months; Assets less than \$2,000. Pregnant women in 9th month and restricted from working are also eligible.	Apply online at www.myflorida.com/accessflorida
Link-Up Florida and Lifeline Assistance Program (Discount on Telephone Bills and Installation)	Eligible if you receive state or federal help from: Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA), Food Stamps, Medicaid, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), National School Lunch (NSL) Program's free lunch program. Alternatively if you meet income guideline.	Download application at http://www.floridaopc.gov/lifeline.cfm
Child Support Services	Currently not receiving public assistance and have not received public assistance or child support services in the past; Live in Florida. You may apply if you do not live in the State of Florida, however, you may be required to appear at a hearing in Florida or be required to testify at a designated location in your state at the Court's discretion. Additionally, if neither parent lives in Florida, the State may not have jurisdiction to obtain or enforce a support order.	Apply online at http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/childsupport/apply.html



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Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)	Valid Social Security number; US citizen or resident alien; Not filling Form 2555, Foreign Earned Income, or Form 2555-EZ, Foreign Earned Income Exclusion; investment income is \$2,900 or less; If married, must file jointly; Spouse must have valid SSN and be U.S citizen or resident alien; Must have qualifying children for EITC: Child has valid SSN; At the end of the year child was under age 19, or under age 24 if a full-time student, or any age if child was permanently and totally disabled at any time during the year; Child lived with you in the US for more than half of the year.	Determine if you are eligible at http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=130102,00.html
Housing and Urban Development (HUD)	Low annual gross income; If you qualify as elderly, a person with a disability, or as a family; Must have US citizenship or eligible immigration status. If you are eligible, the HA will check your references to make sure you and your family will be good tenants.	Find a list of local offices at http://www.hud.gov/localoffices.cfm
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program	U.S. citizenship or permanent residence; Social Security numbers for all persons living in your household.	Instructions on how to apply at www.floridacommunitydevelopment.org/liheap/about.cfm#Apply
Medicare Part A (Hospital insurance for 65+)	You are eligible for Part A at age 65 without having to pay premiums if; You are eligible for or already receiving retirement benefits from Social Security or the Railroad Retirement Board; You or your spouse had Medicare-covered government employment. If you are under 65, you are eligible for Part A without having to pay premiums if you: Received Social Security or Railroad Retirement Board disability benefits for 24 months; Have End-Stage Renal Disease and meet certain requirements.	Determine eligibility and enroll online at www.medicare.gov
Medicare Part B (Medical insurance for 65+)	Part B requires a paid monthly premium (\$96.40 in 2008). Premiums may be higher if your income exceeds certain levels.	Determine eligibility and enroll online at www.medicare.gov
Medicare Prescription Drug Program	Have Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) and/or Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance); Live in the US; Your combined savings, investments, and real estate are not worth more than \$23,970 if you are married and living with your spouse, or \$11,990 if you are not currently married or not living with your spouse (excludes the home you live in, vehicles, personal possessions, burial plots or irrevocable burial contracts.) If your assets exceed those amounts, you may not qualify for the extra help. However, you can still enroll in an approved Medicare prescription drug plan for coverage.	Apply online at https://s044a90.ssa.gov/apps6z/i1020/main.html
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	Live in the US and are a U.S. citizen or national. In some cases, noncitizen residents can qualify for SSI; Age 65 or older; Blind; or Disabled.	Apply online at www.socialsecurity.gov .