

HUD EARNED INCOME DISREGARD (EID)

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(EID) allows
some tenants
with disability
to work without
an immediate
increase in
rent.**

The Earned Income Disregard (EID) applies to Public Housing, as well as HOME, Housing and Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA), AND the Supportive Housing and Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher programs. **IT DOES NOT APPLY TO PRIVATELY OWNED OR TO USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENTAL RENTAL HOUSING COMPLEXES.**

What does the EID provide?

During the first 12 months of employment, 100% of the **NEW** wages will be disregarded. If a person was working previously but less than 10 hours per week, wages that were previously used to determine rent will continue. **ONLY THE INCREASE** in wages will be disregarded for the first 12 months.

During the second 12 months of employment, 50% of the **NEW** wages will be disregarded.

These disregards only apply for a maximum of four years from the month it is first applied. To qualify for this EID, the person must have a disability and meet one of the following conditions:

- Has been unemployed for 12 months preceding employment; **OR**
- Has earned, in the 12 previous months preceding this employment, no more than would be received for 10 hours of work per week for 50 weeks at the established minimum wage. As of 7/24/2009 and continuing this translates to \$3,625.00 per year. (10 hours x 50 weeks x \$7.25 federal minimum wage = \$3,625.00); **OR**
- Participation in a self-sufficiency or job training program to ready him/her for work. (These programs include programs for job training, employment counseling, work placement, basic skills training, education, etc.); **OR**
- Received benefits or services from any state program for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) in the last six months.

You should contact your local housing authority to see if you are eligible for the Earned Income Disregard.