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Guaranteed Basic Income (GBI2) Pilot Program



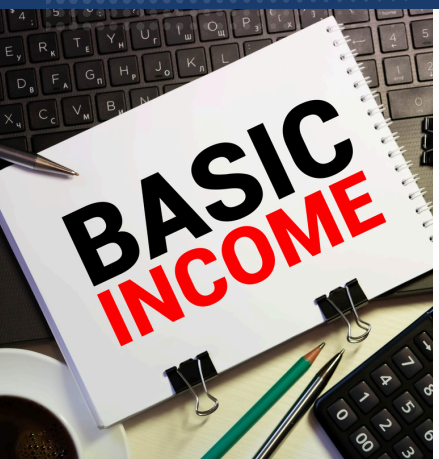
In partnership with Howard County Government, the Community Action Council of Howard County (CAC) has been selected to lead the Guaranteed Basic Income (GBI2) Pilot Program. GBI2 builds on the success of last year's pilot, continuing a transformative approach to guaranteed basic income.

The GBI2 Pilot Program provides eligible families with $500 per month for 12 months. An additional $500 per month will be placed into a savings account at a local bank. These savings will be released in July 2027 after the participant completes a financial literacy program through a designated CAC partner.

The goal of this program is to support economic mobility and self-sufficiency. Families can use the funds to meet their most urgent needs, such as housing, food, education, transportation, or healthcare.

Program Criteria:

- **Must live in Howard County for the full duration of the program**
- **Must have at least one child age 17 or younger living in the household**
  (must be either the biological or adoptive parent(s), or guardian(s), and have full or partial care-taking responsibilities for the child)
- **Must not recieve income-based housing assistance**
  (such as Housing Choice Voucher, Baltimore Regional Housing Partnership (BRHP), Moderate Income Housing Unit (MIHU) property, or tax credit housing)
- **Must have a household income between 150% and 300% of the Federal Poverty Level**
- **Must be willing to meet with a CAC staff member monthly (in person or virtually)**
- **Must be willing to complete a financial literacy program by June 2027**
- **Must be able to provide documentation to confirm eligibility, if selected**



Ready to Apply?

Scan the QR code or visit our website at **cac-hc.org/gbi2** to learn more about the program and complete the intake form.

If we receive more applications than we have slots available, all eligible applicants will be entered into a lottery. Participants will be randomly selected in early June and will be notified by email.

Application Period:
Opens: April 24, 2026 at 8:00 AM | **Closes:** May 22, 2026 at 4:00 PM

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