



## INFORMATION AND FACTS ABOUT

# IDA

## INTERIM DISABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

### What is IDA?

**IDA**, the Interim Disability Assistance Program, is designed to provide temporary financial assistance to adults with disabilities who are ineligible for TANF and who have applied for and are awaiting approval of Supplemental Security Income (SSI). IDA funds are contingent upon availability.

### Who is Eligible for IDA?

A person eligible for Interim Disability Assistance must be:

- Between ages 18 and 64
- Ineligible for TANF because no eligible child lives in the home
- Permanently and totally disabled
- Awaiting a decision on eligibility for SSI
- Ineligible for a category of cash assistance in which there is federal financial

participation, except that an individual who has applied for SSI or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) may be eligible during the period that the SSI or SSDI application is being processed.

### What Do I Need to do to Apply for IDA?

Applications for IDA must be submitted in person at designated Economic Security Administration (ESA) Service Centers, using the Combined Application that is used to apply for multiple programs. Currently the designated Center is H Street. Every applicant has the right to file an application on the same day that he/she contacts the ESA. An application is considered to be filed when it is received at the designated ESA Service Center and a face-to-face interview is complete.

### Where Do I Go to Apply for IDA?

Persons applying for IDA should report to: 645 H Street, NE Washington, DC 20002.

### What Will I Need to Apply for IDA?

The following eligibility items are needed to apply:

- Proof of DC Residency
- Proof of Social Security Number
- Proof of Citizenship/Alienage
- Proof of Disability
- Application for Supplemental Security Income

### When Do I Find Out If I've Been Approved?

Applications for IDA must be processed within 60 days, counting from the day after the application was filed.



**For more information about the IDA Program, please call the Interim Disability Assistance Office at 202.698.6661**