

# 2015 Federal Poverty Guidelines

All programs that have eligibility guidelines based on poverty levels **must** adopt and use these new guidelines **immediately**.

It is important to remember your program's income determination requirements as well. For CSBG purposes, you are allowed to calculate yearly income in three ways:

- \* Actual yearly income
- \* Multiply the past three months income x 4
- \* Multiply the past six months income x 2

**Before using this method, check with your program supervisor or director for guidance! Not all funding sources allow this type of calculating.**

## TO CALCULATE POVERTY LIMITS

To calculate a percent of poverty such as 115% of Poverty, simply multiply the poverty level (100% of FPG) by 1.15.

**Example: 115 percent of poverty for a family of four would be:**  
 $\$24,250 \times 1.15 = 27,887.50$

## TO CALCULATE A FAMILY'S INCOME AS A PERCENTAGE OF POVERTY

If you are calculating incomes for CSBG purposes, you can determine the income as a percentage of poverty by dividing the person's income by the poverty level.

**Example: A family of two earns \$10,000/year.**  
 $10,500 \div \$15,930 = .659$  or 65.9%  
 Their income is 66% of the FPG.

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Family Size	50 %	75%	100%	115%	125%	135%	150%	175%	200%
1	\$ 5,885	\$ 8,828	<b>\$11,770</b>	\$13,536	\$14,713	\$15,890	\$17,655	\$20,598	\$23,540
2	\$ 7,965	\$11,948	<b>\$15,930</b>	\$18,320	\$19,913	\$21,506	\$23,895	\$27,878	\$31,860
3	\$ 10,045	\$15,068	<b>\$20,090</b>	\$23,104	\$25,113	\$27,122	\$30,135	\$35,158	\$40,180
4	\$12,125	\$18,188	<b>\$24,250</b>	\$27,888	\$30,313	\$32,738	\$36,375	\$42,438	\$48,500
5	\$14,205	\$21,308	<b>\$28,410</b>	\$32,672	\$35,513	\$38,354	\$42,615	\$49,718	\$56,820
6	\$16,285	\$24,428	<b>\$32,570</b>	\$37,456	\$40,713	\$43,970	\$48,855	\$56,998	\$65,140
7	\$18,365	\$27,548	<b>\$36,730</b>	\$42,240	\$45,913	\$49,586	\$55,095	\$64,278	\$73,460
8	\$20,445	\$30,668	<b>\$40,890</b>	\$47,024	\$51,113	\$55,202	\$61,335	\$71,558	\$81,780
Each additional member add	\$ 2,08;0	\$ 3,120	<b>\$ 4,160</b>	\$ 4,784	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,616	\$ 6,240	\$ 7,280	\$ 8,320