

Bridges to Success

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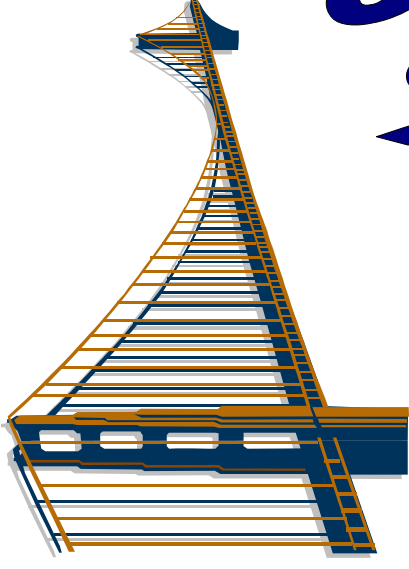
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Bridges to Success

**A unique collaboration
between the
*Faith-Based Community
and Bergen County
Community Action
Partnership, Inc.***

**On-going support and referrals for former
welfare recipients who need guidance and
assistance with:**

- ⇧ **employment concerns**
- ⇧ **career advancement**
- ⇧ **access to credit and transportation.**

Are you a former welfare client (TANF or EED) who needs help with your career?

Enroll in *Bridges to Success*!



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“Providing Access to Credit and Transportation”

Owning a car is often an expense that many hard-working individuals cannot afford, but ***Bridges to Success*** can make a difference if you are eligible.

How can *Bridges to Success* make a difference for you?

The ***Bridges to Success*** program can help you remove certain barriers to work and self-sufficiency, and gain the pride of independence by helping you secure your own transportation.

Why do you need a “bridge to success”?

There are many social, educational, financial and career advancement services available to Post-TANF and Post-EEI clients. ***Bridges to Success*** can help you receive all of the benefits you are eligible for.

How can *Bridges to Success* help you?

- Provide access to credit and transportation.
- Find the community resources to help you keep your job or advance your career (i.e., finding child care, obtaining a driver’s license, and other support services).
- Help you brush up on a needed career skill.
- Offer you regular contact for support.
- Match you with a mentor from the faith-based community to help you meet other needs.

How do you qualify for the program?

- You must be a resident of Bergen County.
- You must be a Post-TANF or Post-EEI client who has been working for at least 90 days (case must be closed for at least 90 days).

How can you enroll?

Call BCCAP’s office for information and to register for the program: (201) 968-0200, ext. 7014.

How does the program work?

After acceptance into the ***Bridges to Success*** program, you will participate in a 10-week Financial Education course to learn about budgeting, banking, and reestablishing credit.

Upon successful completion of the course, you will be assisted in applying for a loan if you are eligible.

A maximum award of \$5,000 is available to be used for the purchase of a used automobile and/or auto insurance.

- Of the \$5,000 available, \$4,500 will be in the form of a grant (no repayment required) to be used toward the purchase of a car and auto insurance.
- Of the total award, \$500 is an interest-free loan. Loan repayments will be made to the ***Bridges to Success*** program and placed in a fund that can be used by future clients.
- If you have additional funds to use toward the purchase of a car, you are still eligible for this program. You may also use your savings towards the car purchase.

How do you qualify for the program?

- You must be a resident of Bergen County
- You must have children under the age of 18 living at home.
- You must have a valid driver’s license.
- You must be a Post-TANF or Post-EEI client who has been working for at least 90 days (case must be closed for at least 90 days)...

OR

- You must be a current TANF or EEI client, working or seeking employment.