- > A "Disadvantaged" individual is a person who meets at least one of the following criteria:
 - A person who receives, or is a member of a family and/or household which receives, cash payments under a Federal, State or local income-based public assistance program.
 - A person who is a member of a family and/or household that receives (or has been determined within the 6-month period prior to registration for the program involved to be eligible to receive) Food Stamps/EBT card under the Food Stamp Act of 1977.
 - A person who is a foster child on behalf of whom State or local government payments are made
 - A person who does not have a high school diploma.
 - A person from a family whose <u>total annual household income</u> is below the limits listed below:

INDIVIDUALS IN	
FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD	POVERTY GUIDELINES
1	\$12,880
2	\$17,420
3	\$21,960
4	\$26,500
5	\$31,040
6	\$35,580
7	\$40,120
8	\$44,660

- For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,540 for each additional person.
- A person with a disability whose personal income meets the established income criteria above, even if the individual's family does not meet the income eligibility criteria.
- A person who qualifies as a homeless individual, as described in the Steward B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act. The poverty guidelines updated periodically in the *Federal Register* by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2). *Federal Register*, Vol. 86, No. 8, January 13, 2021, pp. 7732-7734.