



I EARNED IT!

FREEPORT TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY WORK AND TRAINING



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“I Earned It!” Community Work and Training Program which is collaborative effort between the township of Freeport and partners citywide. Our mission is clear...township recipients will be required to earn their assistance by providing meaningful services to the community.

What types of services will be provided?

- **Lawn care**
- **Community cleaning**
- **General labor**
- **Painting**
- **Maintenance**
- **Community beautification**

Who is eligible?

- **Potentially any recipient general assistance**

Who can use our services?

- **Units of local government**
- **Not-for-profits**

How does this program work?

Eligible clients will be required to participate in the “I earned it!” program. Clients’ total grant allotments will decide how many hours they will be required to work per month.

Example:

- Client#1 General Assistance grant is \$245.00 per month, he or she will be required to work at minimum wage at (\$8.25 per hour) 7.4 hours per week totaling 29.7 hours per month.
- The first time a client misses a day of work, ***(No call no Show)*** he/she will be placed on final probation the second time terminated and sanctioned for 90 days with no benefits.

What are the goals of this program?

- **To build client self-esteem**
- **To help clients establish solid work ethics and work histories**
- **To potentially gain permanent employment**

How can we make it happen?

- **Understanding the importance of the program**
- **Performing all duties to the best of your abilities**
- **Be on time**
- **Present a positive attitude**
- **Take pride in Earning IT!!!!!!**

Final Thoughts

The “**I earned it!**” program is **NOT** a substitute for permanent employment. It is still mandatory for Eligible clients to actively search for work, attend regularly scheduled appointments, attend assigned trainings, and complete other required assignments. These expectations help to express the importance of time management as well as emphasizing accountability.