Mid-Maryland

Profile of Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) Recipients

Most have a high school education No Degree 22% High School 66% Beyond High School 12% 0% 20% 40% 60% 80%

Most have recent work experience, but their earnings are low

- ❖ 55% worked in the year before receiving TCA
- Earned a median of \$6,833 in that year
- ❖ 65% worked in the year after leaving TCA
- Earned a median of \$9,963 in that year

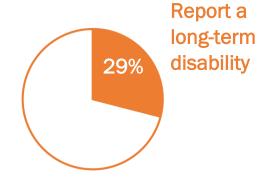
They do not receive welfare for long periods of time

60% received assistance for 2 years or less in last 10 years 15% received assistance for more than 5 of the last 10 years

Typically, they are African American women with 1 or 2 young children

- ❖ 95% are female
- ❖ 54% are African American
- * 34 years old, on average
- * 75% have 1 to 2 children
- * 37% have a child under 3 years old

Some have disabilities that are expected to last over 1 year



Mid-Maryland includes Carroll and Howard Counties.

Most data is based on analysis of 388 adult payees who were recipients of TCA benefits in October 2014. Employment and earnings data is based on work-eligible recipients in federal fiscal 2014 and includes only formal employment in Maryland.



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