

Nevada’s Cash Assistance (TANF) policy: TANF/NEON		
HOW MUCH CASH ASSISTANCE CAN A FAMILY OF THREE RECEIVE?		
Flexibility	Current policy	Potential improvement
<p>Maximum benefit allowed</p> <p>What is the maximum monthly amount a family of three could receive in cash assistance?</p>	<p>\$386/month, or 18% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) in 2024.</p>	<p>Consider increasing the maximum benefit level.</p> <p>Examples: New Mexico’s maximum benefit for a family of three is \$550/month, or 26% FPL.</p> <p>California’s maximum benefit ranges from \$1,112/month (or 52% FPL) for those in rural counties, to \$1,171/month (54% FPL) for those in urban counties.</p>
<p>Recurring benefit increases</p> <p>Has the state mandated increases to these amounts, as the cost of living rises?</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p>Consider mandating recurring benefit increases, tied to a cost-of- living or poverty measurement.</p> <p>Examples: Wyoming, Colorado, and Nebraska have mandated periodic increases.</p>
WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR CASH ASSISTANCE?		
Flexibility	Current policy	Potential improvement
<p>Maximum income</p> <p>How much can a family of three earn and still be considered eligible to receive cash assistance?</p>	<p>The gross income limit for family of three is \$2,693/month.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

<p>Asset limit</p> <p>How much can a family maintain in savings while still being eligible for cash assistance?</p>	<p>\$10,000</p>	<p>Consider eliminating the asset limit to enable families to maintain savings as other states have (e.g., Colorado).</p>
<p>Eligibility during pregnancy for parents without children</p> <p>Are pregnant people with no children in the household eligible for cash assistance?</p>	<p>Yes, from the sixth month of pregnancy.</p>	<p>Consider providing eligibility to low-income pregnant individuals with no other children earlier during pregnancy, in order to support basic needs required for maternal health and children’s early development.</p> <p>Examples: Montana provides eligibility from the third month of pregnancy, and Colorado from the first month.</p>
<p>ADDITIONAL RULES AND RESTRICTIONS</p>		
<p>Flexibility</p>	<p>Current policy</p>	<p>Potential improvement</p>
<p>Time limit</p> <p>Does the state allow families to receive cash assistance up to the federal limit of 60 months?</p>	<p>Nevada maintains the 60-month lifetime limit, but families are ineligible for 24 months after receiving the benefit for 12 consecutive months.</p>	<p>Consider maintaining the lifetime limit of 60 months without restrictions in order to support families during reversals such as job loss (e.g., Colorado, Montana).</p>
<p>Lifting full-family sanctions</p> <p>Are other family members able to continue receiving cash benefits if an adult does not meet work requirements?</p>	<p>No. Unless an individual resolves the issue of noncompliance within a given period of time, the entire household’s benefit is terminated for three months.</p>	<p>Consider reducing the benefit in place of full-family sanctions (e.g., Illinois, Oregon).</p>

<p>Lifting drug felony bans</p> <p>Are persons convicted of drug-related felonies eligible for cash assistance?</p>	<p>Yes. Nevada eliminated its ban in 2021.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Lifting the family cap for a new birth</p> <p>Can families receive additional cash assistance if they have another child while receiving assistance?</p>	<p>Yes. Nevada never enacted a family cap.</p>	<p>N/A</p>