

Good Cause Extension Criteria
Lucas County Job and Family Services
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Loss of Employment: 0148

The applicant must provide verification of income from employment for the period in which the assistance group was not receiving cash assistance. The following criteria must be met:

- Individual was employed for at least six consecutive months in the previous 12 months
- Gross earnings must be equal to or greater than the OWF payment standard for the household size
- Must have good cause for loss of employment, in accordance with Agency Job Quit Criteria
- Must provide verification that they have applied for Unemployment benefits
- In the case of a two-parent household, at least one parent must meet the above criteria (earnings cannot be combined to meet the above)

Protective Case Plan: 0748

The case must be open with Lucas County Children's Services Board at the time of the Good Cause Extension request. The case plan must establish that the recipient caretaker is unable to maintain employment while fulfilling the requirements of the plan.

Domestic Violence: 0448

A victim of domestic violence may be eligible for the Good Cause Extension when documentation is provided to the LCJFS that:

- The court appearance has been kept by the individual
- Case plan has been developed with the goal of removing the family from danger and maintaining a safe living environment
- Plan should be developed in conjunction with agencies that are involved with the treatment and recovery of the family

Caretaker of a Disabled Individual: 0848

If the applicant is requesting an exemption due to being the primary caretaker for a disabled adult, the following criteria must be met:

- The disabled adult must be living in the home for the six months prior to the application
- Disabled individual must be a member of the family as defined in the LCJFS Good Cause Plan
- Applicant must provide a statement from a licensed physician or psychologist that verifies the need for 24 hour care of the disabled individual
- Verification must be provided that all other supportive services have been explored and exhausted, including application for waiver, respite and caretaker resources, and any other available community resources

If the applicant is requesting a Good Cause Extension due to being the primary caretaker for a disabled child, the following criteria must be met:

- Applicant must provide a statement from a licensed physician or psychologist that verifies the need for 24 hour care
- In the case of a school age child, both the school and the physician must verify that the child is unable to attend school
- Verification must be provided that all other supportive services and resources that would meet the child's care and education needs have been explored and exhausted, and the adult caretaker is unable to seek and maintain employment due to the lack of availability of these resources

Disabled Individual: 0948

If the applicant is requesting an exemption due to being disabled or temporarily incapacitated, the following criteria must be met:

- Applicant must have a licensed physician or psychologist complete the LCJFS Basic Medical form, indicating that the recipient is unemployable
- Verification must be provided that all other supportive services have been explored and exhausted, including availability of community resources

Inter-county Transfer: 9048

Good Cause Extension Criteria will be considered met if the applicant transfers in from another county and has already been placed on the Good Cause Extension*

Other Reasons Specific to the Applicants Circumstances: 1848

Application may be made even if none of the above criteria are met, and the application will be reviewed by the Agency Director and approved or denied based on the merit of the specific circumstances.