



# MLSC

MARYLAND LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

IOLTA - INTEREST ON LAWYER TRUST ACCOUNTS

## CLIENT INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

(50% of Maryland Median Income)

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

The following income levels are based on family income estimated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Community Services, which states that the median income for a Maryland family of four is \$158,187.<sup>1</sup>

The figures below reflect 50% of the median family income for the State of Maryland and establish *maximum* income levels for client eligibility. These guidelines are not intended to preclude a program from using lower eligibility levels, i.e. 125% of federal poverty scale, if otherwise necessary for compatibility with other funding requirements or program policies.

Also, grantees may adopt adjunct policies adjusting for such factors as fixed debts, medical expenses and other factors relevant to the client's ability to pay for legal services. *All adjunct policies must be submitted to MLSC for review prior to implementation.*

Family Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income	Weekly Income
1	\$41,129	\$3,427	\$791
2	\$53,784	\$4,482	\$1,034
3	\$66,439	\$5,537	\$1,278
4	\$79,094	\$6,591	\$1,521
5	\$91,748	\$7,646	\$1,764
6	\$104,403	\$8,700	\$2,008
7	\$106,776	\$8,898	\$2,053
8	\$109,149	\$9,096	\$2,099
9	\$111,522	\$9,293	\$2,145
10	\$113,895	\$9,491	\$2,190

<sup>1</sup> As estimated for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program and provided at <https://acf.gov/ocs/policy-guidance/liheap-im2026-01-federal-poverty-guidelines-fpg-and-state-median-income-smi>.