

Social Assistance: Learning, Earning and Parenting Program

Community Services, Social Assistance and Employment
Opportunities

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Agenda

- Learning, Earning and Parenting Program
- Niagara Leap 2025
- Service Delivery Agents
- Community Supports
- 2025 Graduates
- Celebrating Success



Learning, Earning and Parenting Program

For parents on Social Assistance:

- Mandatory aged 16 – 17
- Voluntary aged 18 – 25
- Achieve high school diploma
- Increase job readiness
- Build parenting skills





Niagara - 2025

57

Families

6

Aged 16 - 17

51

Aged 18 - 25



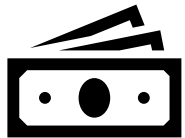
Community Supports

Learning



Attend high school through traditional classes or alternative education options.

Earning



Complete employment readiness programs.

Parenting

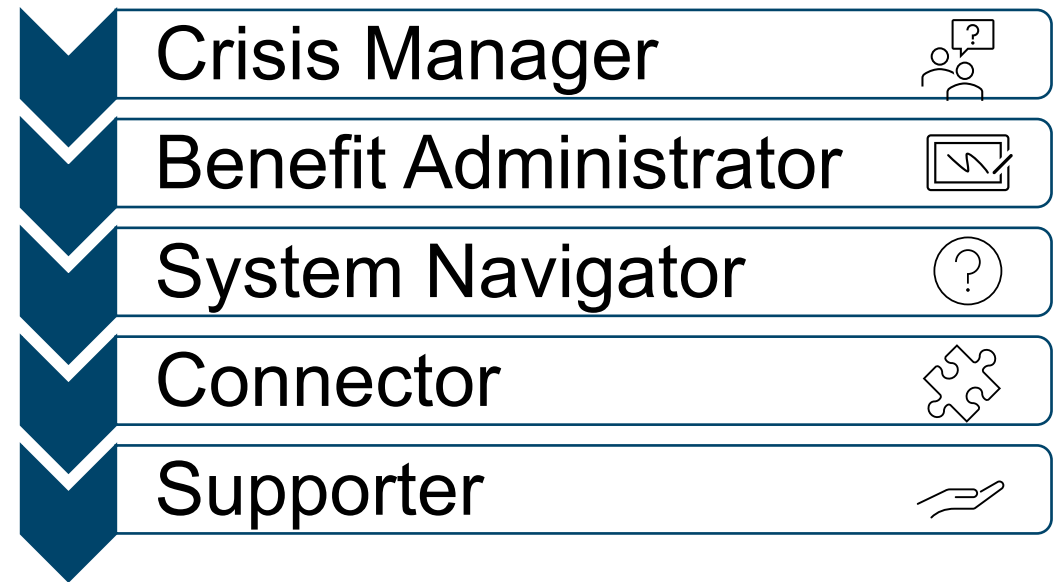


Access to childcare, child development and parenting resources.

Service Delivery Agents

How we Help:

- Determine eligibility
- Create Individualized Plan
- Monitor Progress



2025 Graduates



16

Graduates

11

Entering Post - Secondary

2

Entering Workforce

3

Exploring Options



Celebration

\$500 Provincial bursary

CERTIFICATE OF
Achievement
AWARDED TO
2025 Graduate

For the successful completion of the
Learning, Earning & Parenting Program (LEAP)
June 2025



Henriette Koning, Commissioner

Lori Watson, Director

Celebrating Success!

[Learning Earning and Parenting Program \(LEAP\) 2025](https://youtu.be/gvkUzJwZQ5M)

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