

Getting Ahead in a Just Gettin' By World



A PROGRAM THAT OFFERS USEFUL TOOLS, PRACTICAL GUIDANCE AND VALUABLE COMMUNICATION TO HELP YOU AND YOUR FAMILY GET AHEAD, INSTEAD OF SIMPLY GET BY.

Who is a good fit for Getting Ahead?

- Someone who wants to move forward with-
 - Furthering their education,
 - Gain employment,
 - Seeking promotion opportunities or find a new career.
- Someone who wants to change their circumstances.
- Someone who has tried to change their circumstances and was met with little success.
- Someone willing to partner with individuals and agencies in the community to build a support system.
- Someone who is able to commit to the 13 weeks that make up the curriculum.

How do I qualify?

- Applicants must live in Marion County.
- Must be 18 years or older.
- Must be able to read and speak English at a conversational level.
- Must have interview at Marion Matters office.
- Not in a crisis that would prevent participation such as mental health or substance abuse. (12 months clean and sober)

What can I expect from the program?

- Total of 13 weeks; 2 days a week.

- Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursdays from 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm.
- Expected class size will be 10-12 people.
- The group is a “kitchen table” style.
- There will be two facilitators and And a co-facilitator to help you explore solutions and keep the group on track- not someone who tells you what to do.
- You will receive an incentive for investigating your community.

What can I expect to achieve during the program?

- Identify your strengths and build a personal future story.
- Work to build financial resources for you and your family.
- Become skilled at using the hidden rules of class to build resources.
- Receive long term support, from people and resources in Marion county, to help you achieve your future plans.
- Help be a part of building a community where everyone can live well.

What is expected of me as a participant?

- Commitment to attend ALL classes.
- Actively participate in discussions.
- Complete the lessons in the workbook.
- Engage in some discovery work that may occur outside of class.
- Be open to new ideas.

Questions? If you have questions about this program, please contact Marion Matters Inc. at 740-223-2999, Program & Partner Family Coordinator, Michelle Ryman-Lillie, mr.marionmatters@gmail.com