

# Reimagining TANF to Center Black Families

## Reimagining Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) by centering the needs of Black families would improve the well-being and economic security of all families with children.



Establish a federal minimum benefit so that no family falls below a certain income level.



End and bar mandatory work requirements.



Change TANF's funding structure to prioritize cash assistance, address funding inequities between states, and maintain value over time.

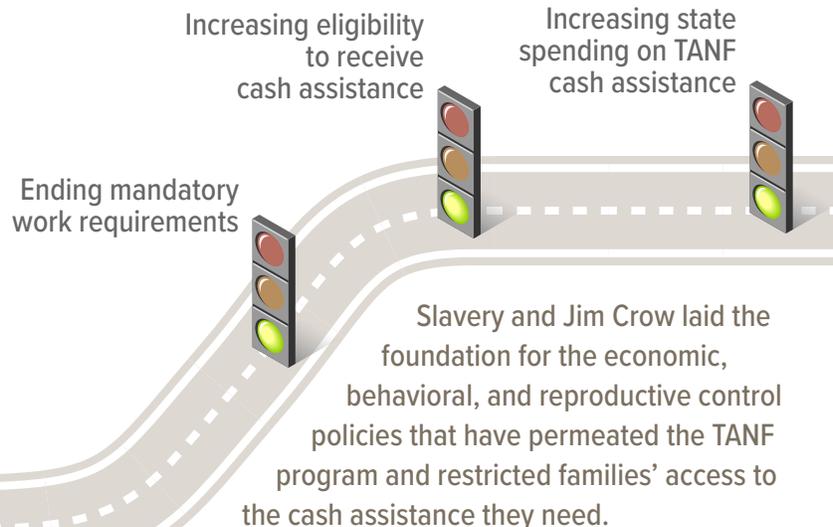


Bar behavioral requirements, time limits, and other eligibility exclusions.



Refocus TANF agencies on helping families to address their basic needs and improve their long-term well-being.

## Acknowledging and eliminating policies rooted in an anti-Black legacy would open pathways to opportunity for parents and children.



Source: Ife Floyd et al., "TANF Policies Reflect Racist Legacy of Cash Assistance," CBPP, 2021, <https://www.cbpp.org/research/family-income-support/tanf-policies-reflect-racist-legacy-of-cash-assistance>