

Los Angeles County
Foster Youth Benefit and Entitlement Charts
Reference Guide
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Introduction

In 2018, the Office of Child Protection (OCP) released its [Permanency Report for Los Angeles County Foster Youth](#). Multiple research studies have demonstrated the importance of achieving permanency (being adopted by a family, returning home to live with a biological parent or parents, living with relatives, and/or living with a legal guardian), and the need to address challenges surrounding permanency to improve outcomes for youth who are or have been involved in the foster and/or probation systems. Youth who exit foster care without a permanent family or adult connection have a higher risk for increased rates of homelessness, poverty, teen pregnancy, a lack of education, and involvement with the criminal-justice system. Having a stable, permanent family and supportive community is linked with youth being able to successfully attain permanent housing, higher education, self-efficacy, and social/emotional well-being.

Caregivers and youth were interviewed for the 2018 report, and one topic repeatedly mentioned was a concern around public benefits—both the potential loss of benefits following adoption, and the lack of information on available benefits. For example, some caregivers/youth believed that once youth turned 18, they could not be adopted, and once adopted (at any age), they lost access to benefits. Not necessarily. Older foster youth have permanency options—including non-minor dependent adoptions—that leave them still eligible for Adoption Assistance Payments and Independent Living Program benefits.

These charts were compiled to provide a comprehensive resource¹ of foster-youth benefits to assist youth and caregivers, particularly when making permanency decisions. This document also includes a section on benefits and entitlements that can potentially still be accessed (depending on case circumstances) once a youth exits the child-welfare system.

Please note that while some benefits may not be available once a youth leaves foster care, youth who achieve permanency have better outcomes and more supports available as they work towards self-sufficiency.

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We would like to thank Supervisor Hilda Solis and Supervisor Kathryn Barger for bringing forward the original motion recognizing the need for increased permanency, as well as former Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell, Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, and Supervisor Janice Hahn for their continued support of efforts that benefit the children and families of Los Angeles County. We also want to thank all the stakeholders who contributed and collaborated on the contents of this document, including the Alliance for Children’s Rights, the Children’s Law Center, the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department of Public Social Services, Opportunity Youth Collaborative, the Probation Department, Public Counsel, and the Workforce Development, Aging, and Community Services department.

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<sup>1</sup> Benefit eligibility may depend on case circumstances, so please consult with your attorney and social worker about applying for specific benefits. Various benefits and programs listed in this document may have limited funding availability and caps.

## Helpful Contacts

### Alliance for Children's Rights

General Intake form: [Legal Aid for Foster Families](#) | [Alliance for Children's Rights](#)  
Los Angeles Office (213) 368-6010

### Children's Law Center

Main Line (323) 980-1700 | <https://www.clccal.org/> | Attorney e-mail *LastNameFirstInitial@clccal.org*

### Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Los Angeles

Monterey Park Main Office  
CASA of Los Angeles | Edmund D. Edelman Children's Court  
201 Centre Plaza Drive, Suite 1100 | Monterey Park, CA 91754

Antelope Valley Office  
CASA of Los Angeles | Alfred J. McCourtney Juvenile Justice Center  
1040 West Avenue J, Room 1130 | Lancaster, CA 93534

*If you are involved in an open juvenile dependency case or know someone who is, and you believe a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer would be helpful, please visit the CASA referral link: <https://casala.org/refer-a-child/>*

**DCFS—Child Protection Hotline** (reporting suspected child abuse and neglect)—**(800) 540-4000**

**DCFS—Youth Development Services (YDS) Staff** <https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/>

Darlene McDade-White: (213) 251-0126 | [mcdadd@dcfs.lacounty.gov](mailto:mcdadd@dcfs.lacounty.gov)  
Christine Chang: (213) 351-0160 | [ILPJobs@dcfs.lacounty.gov](mailto:ILPJobs@dcfs.lacounty.gov)

### DCFS—ILP Coordinator

To find out who your ILP coordinator is or to answer any questions, e-mail: [youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov](mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov)  
3530 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 400 | Los Angeles, CA 90010 | (877) 694-5741 | (213) 351-0100 / 0101

**Los Angeles County Commission for Children and Families** [ccfcommission@lacbos.org](mailto:ccfcommission@lacbos.org) | (213) 974-1558  
For information about the Los Angeles County Foster Youth Bill of Rights, visit <https://layoutrights.com/>

**Los Angeles County Youth Commission** <https://youthcommission.lacounty.gov/>  
[YouthCommission@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:YouthCommission@bos.lacounty.gov) | (213) 633-5599

### Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Youth Coordinated Entry System Liaison

Contact information for each region:  
<https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf>

### Probation and Jurisdiction Services Program

Frank Trejo: (818) 933-1688 | [Frank.Trejo@probation.lacounty.gov](mailto:Frank.Trejo@probation.lacounty.gov)  
Carl Brown, Acting SDPO: (661) 434-9357 | [Carl.Brown@probation.lacounty.gov](mailto:Carl.Brown@probation.lacounty.gov)

### Public Counsel

610 South Ardmore Avenue | Los Angeles, CA 90005 | (213) 385-2977

### School District AB 490 Foster Youth Liaisons

Contact information for each district liaison:  
<https://www.lacoe.edu/Student-Services/Homeless-Children-Youth/District-Liaisons>

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### Basic Living

| Program Name                                                                                                                                                | Summary                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Age Range/ Group | Key Services Provided                                  | Access/Action Steps to Receiving Benefit/Entitlement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>Independent Living Program (ILP) General Benefits</b></p> | <p>The Independent Living Program (ILP) provides financial assistance and services to current and former foster/probation youth ages 16 through 20. This financial assistance can help to fund items such as car insurance, driving lessons, books, and more if youth meet additional eligibility requirements.</p> | 16–20            | <p>Financial assistance; services; probation youth</p> | <p>Discuss adding needs to your Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) with your social worker. (If you have issues with the TILP, tell the judge or your attorney.)</p> <p>When you are 16 or older, your children’s social worker (CSW) will refer you to ILP. You may also self-refer; call (213) 351-0101 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on regular business days to self-refer or ask questions. During non-business hours, call (877) 694-5741 or e-mail <a href="mailto:youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov</a>. Access more contact information at <a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a>.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p>ILP FAQ <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/FAQs/">https://www.ilponline.org/FAQs/</a><br/>                     ILP Transportation <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Transportation">https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Transportation</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> |
| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>ILP: Youth on the Move</b></p>                            | <p>This program offers free annual Transit Access Passes (TAP cards) for foster and probation youth (<a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/YOTM_flyer.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/YOTM_flyer.pdf</a>).</p>                                                                                      | 18–21            | <p>Transportation; bus pass</p>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Contact ILP Transition Coordinator <b>OR</b></li> <li>▪ Complete the application (link below) by printing it out and bringing it to Metroplex, 3530 Wilshire Blvd, 4th floor, Los Angeles, CA 90010 (you will need to have your picture taken) <b>OR</b></li> <li>▪ Complete the application on your computer (or scan the completed application into your computer) and e-mail <a href="mailto:serraj@dcsf.lacounty.gov">serraj@dcsf.lacounty.gov</a> the completed application along with a picture of your face (consider a school ID picture).</li> </ul> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p>ILP Webpage <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Transportation">https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Transportation</a></p> <p><b>Application</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/Youth_on_the_Move_Application_2015.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/Youth_on_the_Move_Application_2015.pdf</a></p>                                                                                                                      |

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| <p><b>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</b></p> <p><b>ILP: Life Skills Program/ Individualized Transition Skills Program (ITSP)</b></p> | <p>Individualized Transition Skills Program (ITSP) provides a one-on-one life coach to help youth navigate access to benefits and services, enhance daily life skills, and gain self-sufficiency and permanent connections/relationships.</p> | <p>16–21</p>     | <p>Life coach; mentorship</p> | <p>Discuss with your social worker if you want to join this program and ask them to update your needs on your Transition Independent Living Plan. (If you have issues with your TILP, tell the judge or your attorney.)</p> <p>You may also self-refer; call (213) 351-0101 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on regular business days to self-refer or ask questions. During non-business hours, call (877) 694-5741 or e-mail <a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a>. Access more contact information at <a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a>.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP FAQ</b> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/FAQs/">https://www.ilponline.org/FAQs/</a></p> <p><b>ILP Transportation</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Transportation">https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Transportation</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/ITSP_FACT_SHEET.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/ITSP_FACT_SHEET.pdf</a><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> |

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>Adoption Assistance Program (AAP)</b></p>                                                      | <p>An entitlement program to provide financial and medical coverage to make adoption easier for children who otherwise would remain in long-term foster care. The adoptive family is eligible for post-adoption services, which may include providing resource and referral, brief case management, and crisis intervention. AAP payments may also be extended to age 21 for youth who have a physical or mental disability that justifies the benefits continuing. Youth adopted after their 16th birthday are also eligible for ILP services, except for housing assistance programs</p> | <p>&gt;18–21</p>                                | <p>Funding for adoptive parent; financial assistance; financial and medical coverage</p> | <p>AAP benefits are negotiated by the children’s social worker (CSW) with the adoptive parent(s) before the parent(s) sign an adoptive placement agreement with DCFS and before finalizing the adoption. The CSW makes the final determination of the amount of the AAP benefit, which is based upon the youth’s needs and the circumstances of the adoptive parent(s). The AAP agreement <b>must</b> be signed before the adoption is finalized.</p> <p>The extension of AAP benefits beyond age 18 depends on the adoptive parents requesting the benefit extension <b>before</b> the child/youth's 18th birthday by <b>BOTH</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Calling the Foster Care/Adoption Assistance Hotline at (800) 697-4444 <b>AND</b></li> <li>▪ Providing documentation to DCFS of the child/youth's eligibility (see Benefit Eligibility)</li> </ul> <p>AAP must be recertified at least every two years.</p> <p>For any questions, reach out to your CSW and minor’s attorney. You can also contact the Alliance for Children’s Rights at (213) 368-6010 with questions.</p> |
| <p>State of California/County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS)</p> <p><b>CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids)</b></p> | <p>CalWORKs is an entitlement established to provide cash aid and services to eligible families that have a child or children in the home.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <p>Non-minor dependent; foster youth parent</p> | <p>Financial assistance; cash aid for families</p>                                       | <p>Talk to your social worker or ILP coordinator. Alert your social worker immediately if anything changes to affect your CalWORKs eligibility.</p> <p>To find your ILP coordinator or for any questions, e-mail or call:</p> <p><a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br/>                     3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>                     Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>                     (877) 694-5741<br/>                     (213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> <p>You may also call DPSS’s customer service line at (866) 613-3777.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| <p><b>Federal SNAP Program   State of California</b></p> <p><b>CalFresh</b></p> | <p>CalFresh is the California name for the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), an entitlement established to improve the nutrition of people in low-income households. CalFresh benefits are used instead of money at most grocery stores and farmers' markets.</p> | <p>Based on household income</p> | <p>Financial assistance; food stamps</p> | <p>Talk to your social worker or Independent Living Program (ILP) coordinator to find out how to apply for CalFresh. Call (213) 351-0101 between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on normal business days, or e-mail <a href="mailto:youthds@dcss.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcss.lacounty.gov</a> to ask questions. During non-business hours, call (877) 694-5741. Visit this website for more contact information: <a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a>.</p> <p>You may also call DPSS's customer service line at (866) 613-3777.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p>Applicants may also apply directly at <a href="https://yourbenefits.lacounty.gov/ybn/Index.html">https://yourbenefits.lacounty.gov/ybn/Index.html</a></p> <p><b>CalFresh Info</b><br/> <a href="http://www.ibaforyouth.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/NMD-and-CalFresh-FAQ-updated-for-FFY19.pdf">http://www.ibaforyouth.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/NMD-and-CalFresh-FAQ-updated-for-FFY19.pdf</a></p> |

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### Social Security

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| <p><b>Social Security Income (SSI) for Foster Youth With a Disability</b></p> | <p>The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program pays benefits to disabled adults and children who have limited income and resources</p> | <p>18+</p>       | <p>Financial assistance; youth with a disability; aging out of foster care</p> | <p>Youth may apply for SSI up to 180 days before their foster-care eligibility ends due to age. Disabled youth transitioning out of foster care may file an SSI application if they:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Live in a foster-care situation</li> <li>▪ Allege blindness or disability</li> <li>▪ Appear likely to meet all the non-medical eligibility requirements when foster-care payments terminate</li> <li>▪ Expect the foster-care payments to cease within 180 days of the application filing date</li> <li>▪ Are within 180 days of losing foster-care eligibility because of age</li> </ul> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>SSI Info</b><br/> <a href="https://dredf.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/CA-State-Brochure-SSI-for-Foster-Youth-with-Disabilities-Apr08.pdf">https://dredf.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/CA-State-Brochure-SSI-for-Foster-Youth-with-Disabilities-Apr08.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Applying Online</b><br/> <a href="http://www.ssa.gov/applyfordisability">http://www.ssa.gov/applyfordisability</a>.</p> <p><b>Applying by Phone or for Any Questions</b><br/>                     (800) 772-1213</p> <p><b>Applying in Person</b><br/>                     Locate the Social Security Administration office nearest you.</p> |

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| <p><b>Social Security Administration (SSA)</b></p> | <p>Several SSA benefits are available to foster youth, depending on their situation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Survivor Benefits when a parent has passed away</li> <li>▪ Social Security Disability Insurance if a parent has become disabled</li> <li>▪ Social Security Retirement if the parent has retired</li> <li>▪ Social Security Disability Insurance benefits; if you are a foster youth with a serious disability, you can apply as an “adult disabled child.”</li> </ul> | <p>Birth parent’s death, disability, or retirement to age 19</p> | <p>Survivor benefits; deceased parent; financial assistance; disability</p> | <p><u>For Foster Youth</u></p> <p>Submit proof of identification, including a birth certificate and a copy of the parent’s death certificate and/or death notice. The SSA will tell you what supporting documents you must provide to prove eligibility for benefits on the parent’s account.</p> <p>If parentage is not clear through the birth certificate, refer to ACL 20-17 for alternative documents to support the foster child’s claim at <a href="https://www.cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/Additional-Resources/Letters-and-Notices/ACLs/2020/20-17.pdf">https://www.cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/Additional-Resources/Letters-and-Notices/ACLs/2020/20-17.pdf</a>.</p> <p>If you have a serious disability, apply for Social Security Disability Insurance benefits as an “adult disabled child.”</p> <p><u>For Caregivers</u></p> <p>If you have a foster child in your care, and you believe they qualify for disability benefits, you need to contact your local Social Security office. You can schedule an appointment at your local office by calling (800) 772-1213. Take the child’s identification with you to the appointment, along with documentation indicating you are his or her foster parent.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>Social Security Administration</b><br/> <a href="http://www.socialsecurity.gov">www.socialsecurity.gov</a></p> |

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| <p><b>Department of Health Services (DHS)</b></p> <p><b>Countywide Benefits Entitlement Services Team (CBEST) Services</b></p> | <p>The Countywide Benefits Entitlement Services Team (CBEST) provides targeted advocacy to assist individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness in obtaining sustainable income through programs such as Social Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI).</p> | <p>Aging out of foster care</p> | <p>Targeted advocacy; aging out of foster care; homeless or at risk of homelessness</p> | <p>Call the number listed below for your Service Planning Area (SPA). If you need help determining your SPA, click the link below and enter your address.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>SPA Locator</b><br/> <a href="http://gis.lacounty.gov/districtlocator/">http://gis.lacounty.gov/districtlocator/</a></p> <p>SPA 1 (661) 948-8559<br/>                     SPA 2 (818) 342-5897<br/>                     SPA 3 (626) 593-2364<br/>                     SPA 4 (213) 529-0979<br/>                     SPA 5 (310) 396-6468<br/>                     SPA 6 (323) 432-4363<br/>                     SPA 7 (562) 373-5264<br/>                     SPA 8 (562) 599-1321</p> |

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## Extended Foster Care

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>California State Assembly Bill (AB) 12</b></p>                            | <p>AB 12 is the law that extends foster care to age 21 in California. That means you can take advantage of all the services and benefits DCFS and Probation have to offer, including support, funding, transportation (Youth on the Move, page 4), and housing (placement).</p>                   | 18–21                     | Targeted support, housing, transportation, cash aid, deceased parent, probation youth | <p>Youth should automatically be enrolled to continue foster care if they qualify. Youth may also choose to re-enter foster care after initially deciding to close their case, and may exit and re-enter as many times as they wish through the day before their 21st birthday.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/AB12/">https://www.ilponline.org/AB12/</a></p> <p>Call the DCFS Hotline at (800) 540-4000 or the Children’s Law Center at (323) 859-4000 for assistance with re-entering foster care.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>AB 12 Non-Minor Dependent (NMD)</b></p>                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 18–21 non-minor dependent | Targeted support, housing, transportation, cash aid, deceased parent, probation youth | <p><b>Contact:</b></p> <p>Frank Trejo: (818) 933-1688<br/> <a href="mailto:Frank.Trejo@probation.lacounty.gov">Frank.Trejo@probation.lacounty.gov</a><br/>           Carl Brown, Acting SDPO: (661) 434-9357<br/> <a href="mailto:Carl.Brown@porbation.lacounty.gov">Carl.Brown@porbation.lacounty.gov</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>AB 12 Extended Kin GAP (Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payments)</b></p> | <p>You may be eligible for re-entry to foster care through the day before your 21st birthday if you leave foster care after age 18 or if an adoptive parent/legal guardian passes away or is no longer supporting you.</p> <p>Youth receiving Kin-GAP are eligible for ILP services (page 4).</p> | 18–21 Kin-GAP             | Targeted support, housing, transportation, cash aid, deceased parent, probation youth | <p>The relative guardian must contact the social worker to request an extension of Kin-GAP benefits for a youth beyond the age of 18, and will need to provide documentation indicating that the youth meets the eligibility criteria. Youth in extended Kin-GAP should be receiving all Extended Foster Care benefits except for housing, as they should have housing with their relative.</p> <p>The guardian must complete an annual Kin-GAP redetermination.</p> <p>Contact the following with any questions:<br/> <a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a></p> <p>3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>           Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>           (877) 694-5741<br/>           (213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> |

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| <b>Probation Department</b><br><br><b>Transition Jurisdiction Services (WIC 450 Status) for Non-Minors</b>  | Probation provides supervision, support, and guidance to youth in Extended Foster Care under Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) 450.                                                                                                                                                                                | 18–20                                   | Supervision, support, and guidance                                                                                                                                             | For more information about Probation’s Transition Jurisdiction Services program, contact:<br><br>Frank Trejo: (818) 933-1688<br><a href="mailto:Frank.Trejo@probation.lacounty.gov">Frank.Trejo@probation.lacounty.gov</a><br><br>Carl Brown, Acting SDPO: (661) 434-9357<br><a href="mailto:Carl.Brown@probation.lacounty.gov">Carl.Brown@probation.lacounty.gov</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Probation Department</b><br><br><b>Transition Jurisdiction Services (WIC 450 Status) for Non-Minors</b>  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 17 years, 5 months– 20                  | Supervision, support, and guidance<br><br>Transition Jurisdiction allows minors who have met their rehabilitative goals to participate in Extended Foster Care (EFC), page 11. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</b><br><br><b>AB 12 Non-Related Legal Guardianship</b> | You may be eligible for re-entry to foster care through the day before your 21st birthday if you leave foster care after age 18 or if an adoptive parent/legal guardian passes away or is no longer supporting you.<br><br>ILP services (page 4) are available to youth placed in a non-relative legal guardianship. | 18–21<br>Non-related legal guardianship | Targeted support, housing, transportation, cash aid, deceased parent, probation youth                                                                                          | Contact your social worker or probation officer to sign the Mutual Agreement for Extended Foster Care form SOC 162 within the six months before your 18th birthday, asking to remain in foster care after turning 18 with a non-related legal guardian.<br><br>A Six-Month Certification of Extended Foster Care Participation form SOC 161 must be signed every six months, along with the case plan and Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) being updated by the social worker/probation officer to certify your continued participation in extended foster care.<br><br>Contact the following with any questions:<br><a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br><br>3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br>Los Angeles, CA 90010<br>(877) 694-5741<br>(213) 351-0100 / 0101 |

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## Housing

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>ILP: Startup Funds</b></p>                                 | <p>Provides a one-time cash payment for things like furniture, kitchen and bathroom items, and other needs for a new house/apartment.</p>                                                                                             | <p>16–21</p>     | <p>One-time cash aid; housing needs; ILP</p>          | <p>Discuss adding needs to your Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) with your social worker. (If you have issues with your TILP, tell the judge or your attorney.)</p> <p>You can also reach out to <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov">https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov</a><br/>3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>(877) 694-5741<br/>(213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP Housing</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p>                                                      |
| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>ILP: Transitional Housing Placement Program (THPP)</b></p> | <p>This supervised transitional housing program has six beds for 16- and 17-year-old current foster youth. The supportive services provided are based on what is included in a youth’s Transition Independent Living Plan (TILP).</p> | <p>16–17</p>     | <p>Transitional housing; supportive services; ILP</p> | <p>Your social worker must refer you to this program. You can also reach out to the DCFS contacts below for questions and assistance:<br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov">https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov</a><br/>3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>(877) 694-5741<br/>(213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP Housing</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/</a></p> <p><b>ILP THPP</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/THPP">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/THPP</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> |

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>ILP: THPP for Non-Minor Dependents (THPP-NMD)</b></p> | <p>This transitional housing placement program provides supportive services based on the youth’s Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP). This program has a 393-bed capacity.</p> | <p>18–21 non-minor dependent</p> | <p>Supportive services based on TILP; ILP; AB 12</p> | <p>Ask your social worker to make a referral <b>OR</b> tell your social worker if there is difficulty in getting a referral contact.</p> <p>You can also reach out to a LAHSA Youth Coordinated Entry System (page 18) Liaison. Contact information for each region is available here: <a href="https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf">https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf</a></p> <p><b>OR</b> reach out to the DCFS Youth Development Services Housing Services Staff: <a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a></p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP THP-NMD</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/THPPFC">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/THPPFC</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> <p><b>ILP Housing</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/</a></p> <p><b>ILP Weekly Vacancy Report</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/HOUSINGSERVICESWEEKLYVACANCYREPORT.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/HOUSINGSERVICESWEEKLYVACANCYREPORT.pdf</a></p> |

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>ILP: THP+</b></p> | <p>This supervised transitional housing program provides supportive services based on the youth’s Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP). This program has an 139-bed capacity.</p> | <p>18–24</p>     | <p>Supervised transitional housing; ILP; homeless or at risk of being homeless</p> | <p>Ask your with social worker to make a referral <b>OR</b> complete an application (link below) and submit it to the housing providers <b>OR</b> connect with the youth coordinator with the Coordinated Entry System (page 18) for your Service Planning Area (SPA).</p> <p>You can also reach out to a LAHSA Youth Coordinated Entry System Liaison. Contact information for each region is available here:<br/> <a href="https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf">https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf</a></p> <p><b>OR</b> reach out to the DCFS Youth Development Services Housing Services Staff:<br/> <a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a></p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP Housing</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/</a></p> <p><b>ILP THP-Plus</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/THPPLUS">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/THPPLUS</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> <p><b>ILP Weekly Vacancy Report</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/HOUSINGSERVICESWEEKLYVACANCYREPORT.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/HOUSINGSERVICESWEEKLYVACANCYREPORT.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Application</b><br/> <a href="http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/dcfs/docs/1007006_DCFS6085_THPlusApplicationandAuthorization101416.pdf">http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/dcfs/docs/1007006_DCFS6085_THPlusApplicationandAuthorization101416.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Coordinated Entry System (CES) for Youth</b> <a href="https://www.lahsa.org/ces/">https://www.lahsa.org/ces/</a></p> |

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA)/ILP Transitional Housing</b></p> | <p>Supportive services are provided based on the youth’s Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP). This program has a 169-bed capacity.</p> <p>Of the 169-bed capacity, there are 50 beds that are set aside for youth with an Axis I diagnosis who receive DMH services.</p> | <p>18–21</p>     | <p>Supervised transitional housing; supportive services; emancipated youth; ILP</p> | <p>Discuss with your Transition Coordinator. (If you have issues with your TILP, tell the judge or your attorney).</p> <p>You can also reach out to a LAHSA Youth Coordinated Entry System (page 18) Liaison. Contact information for each region is available here: <a href="https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf">https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf</a></p> <p><b>OR</b> reach out to the DCFS Youth Development Services Housing Services Staff: <a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a></p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP Housing</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/</a></p> <p><b>ILP LAHSA</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/LAHSA">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/LAHSA</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> <p><b>ILP DMH</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/DMH">https://www.ilponline.org/Housing/DMH</a></p> <p><b>ILP Weekly Vacancy Report</b><br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/HOUSINGSERVICESWEEKLYVACANCYREPORT.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/HOUSINGSERVICESWEEKLYVACANCYREPORT.pdf</a></p> |

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>ILP: Rental Assistance</b></p> | <p>Housing rental assistance</p> | <p>18–21</p>     | <p>Rental assistance; ILP</p> | <p>Discuss adding needs to your Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) with your social worker. (If you have issues with your TILP, tell the judge or your attorney.)</p> <p>You can also reach out to a LAHSA Youth Coordinated Entry System (page 18) Liaison. Contacts for each region: <a href="https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf">https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=4268-youth-ces-dcfs-probation-liaison-list.pdf</a></p> <p><b>OR</b> reach out to the DCFS Youth Development Services Housing Services Staff: <a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a></p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/">https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/</a></p> |

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| <p>Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA)</p> <p><b>Coordinated Entry System for Youth</b></p> | <p>The Coordinated Entry System for Youth (Youth CES) is a regionally coordinated, client-centered system that streamlines access to developmentally appropriate housing and support services for youth and young adults.</p> | <p>16–24</p>     | <p>Homeless or housing-insecure; supportive services; housing</p> | <p>Contact your youth coordinator based on your Service Planning Area (SPA).</p> <p><b>SPA 1:</b> Valley Oasis, Monica Teruya—Phone (661) 942-2758; E-mail: <a href="mailto:mteruya@avdvc.org">mteruya@avdvc.org</a></p> <p><b>SPA 2:</b> Village Family Services, Olga Flores—Phone (818) 755-8786; E-mail: <a href="mailto:oflores@thevillagefs.org">oflores@thevillagefs.org</a></p> <p><b>SPA 3:</b> Hathaway Sycamore, Raji Shivshanker—Phone (626) 685-2197 ext. 7852 <b>OR</b> (323) 895-8472 (cell); E-mail: <a href="mailto:rajishivshanker@hathaway-sycamores.org">rajishivshanker@hathaway-sycamores.org</a></p> <p><b>SPA 4:</b> Children’s Hospital, Audruin Pittman—Phone (323) 361-4774; E-mail: <a href="mailto:apittman@chla.usc.edu">apittman@chla.usc.edu</a></p> <p><b>SPA 5:</b> Safe Place for Youth, Rachel Perowitz—Phone (323) 762-5542; E-mail: <a href="mailto:rpedowitz@safeplaceforyouth.org">rpedowitz@safeplaceforyouth.org</a></p> <p><b>SPA 6:</b> CRCRD, Ishimine Caldwell—Phone (323) 432-2440; E-mail: <a href="mailto:icaldwell@coalitioncrd.org">icaldwell@coalitioncrd.org</a></p> <p><b>SPA 7:</b> Jovenes, Inc., Johny Figueroa—Phone (213) 344-7179; E-mail: <a href="mailto:ifigueroa@jovenesinc.org">ifigueroa@jovenesinc.org</a></p> <p><b>SPA 8:</b> Harbor Interfaith, Tyronne Friend—Phone (626) 685-2197; E-mail: <a href="mailto:Tyronnefriend@hathaway-sycamores.org">Tyronnefriend@hathaway-sycamores.org</a></p> <p>If you need help determining your SPA, click the link below and enter your address.</p> <p><b>SPA Locator</b><br/> <a href="http://gis.lacounty.gov/districtlocator/">http://gis.lacounty.gov/districtlocator/</a></p> |

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Department of<br/>Children and Family<br/>Services (DCFS)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ILP: Tuition<br/>Assistance</b></p>                                            | <p>After applying for financial aid through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid® (FAFSA) (page 23) or California DREAM Act Application (CADAA) (page 24), youth with unmet needs may qualify for funds to help pay for tuition, books, school supplies, and other fees/school-related items.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">16–21</p> | <p>Cash aid; supplemental funding for school-related expenses</p>     | <p>Discuss adding needs to your Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) with your social worker. (If you have issues with your TILP, tell the judge or your attorney.)</p> <p>You can also reach out to:<br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a><br/> <a href="mailto:youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov</a><br/>                     3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>                     Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>                     (877) 694-5741<br/>                     (213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP College Tuition</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Education/College">https://www.ilponline.org/Education/College</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Department of<br/>Children and Family<br/>Services (DCFS)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ILP:<br/>Transportation<br/>Assistance for<br/>Out-of-State<br/>School</b></p> | <p>After applying for financial aid through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid® (FAFSA) (page 23) or California DREAM Act Application (CADAA) (page 24), youth with unmet needs may qualify for funds to help pay for transportation assistance</p>                                             | <p style="text-align: center;">16–21</p> | <p>Transportation assistance; funding for school related expenses</p> | <p>Discuss adding needs to your Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) with your social worker. (If you have issues with your TILP, tell the judge or your attorney.)</p> <p>You can also reach out to:<br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a><br/> <a href="mailto:youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcsf.lacounty.gov</a><br/>                     3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>                     Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>                     (877) 694-5741<br/>                     (213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP College Tuition</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Education/College">https://www.ilponline.org/Education/College</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> |

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>ILP: High School Graduation Expenses</b></p> | <p>Money provided to pay for senior pictures, grad night, cap and gown, as well as prom and other graduation-related expenses.</p> | <p>16–21</p>        | <p>Cash aid; funding for school related expenses</p> | <p>Discuss adding needs to your Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) with your social worker. (If you have issues with your TILP, tell the judge or your attorney.)</p> <p>You can also reach out to:<br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://www.ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a><br/> <a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br/>                     3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>                     Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>                     (877) 694-5741<br/>                     (213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP Graduation Expenses</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/HSGraduationExpenses">https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/HSGraduationExpenses</a></p> <p><b>TILP</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf">https://www.ilponline.org/Documents/TILP.pdf</a></p> |

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Department of<br/>Children and Family<br/>Services (DCFS)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Transportation<br/>to School of<br/>Origin</b></p> | <p>Federal and state laws require DCFS and school districts to provide and fund transportation for youth to remain in their school of origin.</p> <p>The school of origin is the school that the foster child attended when permanently housed, or the school in which the foster child was last enrolled. If the school the foster child attended when permanently housed is different from the school in which the foster child was last enrolled, or if the foster child attended some other school where they felt connected and that they attended within the last 15 months, that school may be identified as the school of origin.</p> <p>When a youth is placed into foster care or moves foster-care placements, the school district’s Foster Youth Liaison, the youth’s Educational Rights Holder, and the youth must meet to determine whether it is in the youth’s best interest to remain in their school of origin. The Educational Rights Holder is the decision-maker during this meeting.</p> | <p>Kindergarten through 12th grade</p>                  | <p>Transportation; funding for school- related expenses</p> | <p>To discuss school-of-origin transportation support, contact your social worker or school-district AB 490 Foster Youth Liaison. Each district’s liaison is listed at <a href="https://www.lacoe.edu/Student-Services/Homeless-Children-Youth/District-Liaisons">https://www.lacoe.edu/Student-Services/Homeless-Children-Youth/District-Liaisons</a>.</p>                                                            |
| <p style="text-align: center;">California Student Aid<br/>Commission</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cal Grant A</b></p>                                                    | <p>For low- to middle-income students with a minimum of 3.00 high school GPA. May be used for an academic program that is 2–4 years in length. Can only be used for tuition and fees. If awarded at a California Community College, the funds will be held in reserve up to two years until the student transfers to a 4-year school.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p>Enrolled in a four-year university, up to age 26</p> | <p>Tuition and fees; cash aid</p>                           | <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>FAFSA</b><br/><a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a></p> <p><b>Cal Grant Info</b><br/><a href="https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/what-cal-grant-award">https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/what-cal-grant-award</a></p> <p><b>GPA Verification Info</b><br/><a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a></p> |

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| <p>California Student Aid Commission</p> <p><b>Cal Grant B</b></p>  | <p>For low-income students with a minimum high school GPA of 2.00. May be used for an academic program that is at least one year in length. Includes an additional annual Access Award amount for living expenses. During sophomore through senior years, the student will receive tuition and fees plus the Access Award at tuition-charging institutions.</p>                                                       | <p>College enrolled</p>        | <p>Tuition and fees; cash aid; living expenses</p>                                        | <p>If applying to a community college, you may apply for the grant up until September 2.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>FAFSA</b><br/> <a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a></p> <p><b>California DREAM Act</b><br/> <a href="https://dream.csac.ca.gov/">https://dream.csac.ca.gov/</a></p> <p><b>Cal Grant Info</b><br/> <a href="https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/what-cal-grant-award">https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/what-cal-grant-award</a></p> <p><b>GPA Verification Info</b><br/> <a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a></p> |
| <p>California Student Aid Commission</p> <p><b>Cal Grant C</b></p>  | <p>For low- to middle-income students. No GPA requirement; however, a submitted GPA helps make your application competitive.</p> <p>For occupational/technical and non-transferring associate-degree program certificates and associate-degree programs of least four months to two years in length. Award amount assists with tuition and fees, and also includes an additional annual book and supplies amount.</p> | <p>College enrolled</p>        | <p>Cash aid; tuition and fees; school-related expenses; occupational/technical school</p> | <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>FAFSA</b><br/> <a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a></p> <p><b>California DREAM Act</b><br/> <a href="https://dream.csac.ca.gov/">https://dream.csac.ca.gov/</a></p> <p><b>Cal Grant Info</b><br/> <a href="https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/what-cal-grant-award">https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/what-cal-grant-award</a></p> <p><b>GPA Verification Info</b><br/> <a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a></p>                                                                                              |
| <p>California Student Aid Commission</p> <p><b>Chafee Grant</b></p> | <p>The John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood is a federally funded program for eligible current and former foster youth for career and technical training or college courses at California community colleges, California State universities, University of California campuses, career and technical schools, independent and private colleges, and schools in other states.</p> | <p>16–26, college enrolled</p> | <p>Cash aid; school expenses; occupational/technical program; college</p>                 | <p>Submit the California Chafee Grant Application online at <a href="http://www.chafee.csac.ca.gov">www.chafee.csac.ca.gov</a>.</p> <p>Submit the FAFSA (page 23) at <a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov">www.fafsa.ed.gov</a> or California Dream Act (CADAA) (page 24) at <a href="http://www.cadreamact.org">www.cadreamact.org</a>.</p> <p>Have the financial aid office at your school your school complete the Chafee Needs Analysis Report (NAR) and submit it electronically—or download the PDF version—at <a href="http://www.chafee.csac.ca.gov">www.chafee.csac.ca.gov</a>.</p>                                           |

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| <p>Office of the<br/>Chancellor of<br/>California<br/>Community<br/>Colleges</p> <p>California<br/>College<br/>Promise Grant</p> | <p>The Promise Grant is a fee waiver for enrollment fees at many California community colleges.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p>College enrolled</p> | <p>Community college; tuition and fees</p>                                          | <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b><br/> <a href="https://home.cccapply.org/money/california-college-promise-grant">https://home.cccapply.org/money/california-college-promise-grant</a><br/>                     Need help with the application process?<br/>                     Call (626) 914-8511</p> |
| <p>Federal Student Aid</p> <p>Free<br/>Application for<br/>Federal Student<br/>Aid (FAFSA®)<br/>(Pell Grant)</p>                 | <p>This is financial aid from the federal government to help you pay for education expenses at an eligible college or career school. Different types of financial aid exist—grants (money you don’t have to pay back), loans (money you <u>do</u> have to pay back), and work-study (money from employment that you don’t have to pay back). You must complete the <a href="#">FAFSA form</a> to apply for this aid.</p>                                                                                                                          | <p>College enrolled</p> | <p>College or career school; school related fees; grants, loans, and work-study</p> | <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b><br/> <b>Application</b><br/> <a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a><br/> <b>Pell Grant Info</b><br/> <a href="https://www2.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html">https://www2.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html</a></p>            |
| <p>Federal Student Aid</p> <p>FAFSA<br/>Independent<br/>Student</p>                                                              | <p>If the current or former foster youth can answer “yes” to any part of either of these two questions, they may qualify for “Independent Student” status for purposes of the FAFSA application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ At any time since the age 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care, or were you a dependent or ward of the court?</li> <li>▪ Does someone other than your parent or step-parent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of residence?</li> </ul> | <p>College enrolled</p> | <p>Deceased parent; ward of the court; tuition and fees</p>                         | <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b><br/> <b>FAFSA</b><br/> <a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a></p>                                                                                                                                                         |

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| <p>California Assembly Bill (AB) 540</p> <p><b>California DREAM Act Financial Aid</b></p>                                                                               | <p>The California DREAM Act application allows students enrolled in eligible California colleges, universities, and career education programs to apply for state financial aid. This application is unrelated to the federal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.</p> | <p>College enrolled</p>  | <p>College or career school; cash-aid; school-related expenses; undocumented youth</p> | <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>California DREAM Act</b><br/> <a href="https://dream.csac.ca.gov/">https://dream.csac.ca.gov/</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS) Individual Living Program (ILP) Benefit</p> <p><b>AB 12: Celebration I</b></p>  | <p>Celebration I is held in June of every year for graduating foster youth who maintain a specific GPA. Celebrities, your family and friends, our community partners, as well as the Independent Living Program team want to recognize you for all your hard work.</p>                  | <p>Graduating senior</p> | <p>Graduation celebration; college bound; probation and dependency youth</p>           | <p>Contact your children’s social worker or deputy probation officer if your case is open for a referral <b>OR</b> contact your Transition Coordinator or ILP services if your case is closed <b>AND</b> you have completed an application.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP Website</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Celebration">https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Celebration</a></p> |
| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS) Individual Living Program (ILP) Benefit</p> <p><b>AB 12: Celebration II</b></p> | <p>Celebration II is held during the summer after you graduate. This event is filled with food, fun, and more, including possible competitive scholarship awards.</p>                                                                                                                   | <p>Graduating senior</p> | <p>Graduation celebration; scholarship awards; probation and dependency youth</p>      | <p>Contact your children’s social worker or deputy probation officer if your case is open for a referral <b>OR</b> contact your Transition Coordinator or ILP services if your case is closed <b>AND</b> you have completed an application.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>ILP Website</b><br/> <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Celebration">https://www.ilponline.org/Resources/Celebration</a></p> |

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>Education/ILP Eligibility Resources</b></p> | <p>Comprehensive services and resources in the fundamental areas of education, workforce development, housing, and life skills to ensure child safety beyond childhood in an effort to successfully prepare Transition Age Youth (TAY) for independence and self-sufficiency.</p> <p>Items may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tuition—colleges and universities/community colleges</li> <li>▪ Books and supplies</li> <li>▪ School/program fees</li> <li>▪ Exam fees (GED, SAT, ACT, etc.)</li> <li>▪ Clothing—educational</li> <li>▪ High school graduation expenses</li> <li>▪ GED/high school proficiency incentive</li> <li>▪ College tour</li> <li>▪ Scholarships</li> <li>▪ Fees—educational</li> <li>▪ College application fees</li> </ul> | <p>16–21</p>        | <p>Cash aid; tuition and fees; school-related expenses; ILP; Kin-GAP; AB 12; THP+; TAY</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Submit a one-page Request for ILP Services form along with supporting documents to your ILP Transition Coordinator. Get their contact information from your assigned children’s social worker, by contacting Youth Development Services at (213) 351-0101, by accessing this website <a href="https://www.ilponline.org/">https://www.ilponline.org/</a></li> <li>▪ The ILP Transition Coordinator completes a Request for Funds packet and obtains the required signatures.</li> <li>▪ The approved document is then forwarded to the Department of Finance for processing.</li> <li>▪ The check/warrant is mailed to you or is available for pickup at Youth Development Services headquarters.</li> </ul> |

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### Health

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| <p>Federal program (Medicaid)</p> <p><b>Medi-Cal Program for Former Foster Youth</b></p> | <p>The Affordable Care Act (ACA) requires states to provide youth under 26 with free health care if they were in foster care at age 18 or later. This ensures that former foster youth can access the health care services they need.</p> <p>Services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Free medical care</li> <li>▪ Vision exams</li> <li>▪ Dental care</li> <li>▪ Substance abuse treatment</li> <li>▪ Mental health services that are available under Medi-Cal</li> </ul> <p>Youth under age 21 may qualify for some extra benefits such as braces and glasses.</p> | <p>18–26</p>     | <p>Medical care, vision exams, dental care, substance-abuse treatment, and mental health services; former foster youth; braces; glasses</p> | <p>If for some reason you are no longer on Medi-Cal, please contact your CSW immediately. The CSW should send the paperwork to Dorian Madrid at the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) who can be contacted at (626) 313-5503.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><b>Info</b><br/> <a href="http://www.coveredtil26.org/how-to-sign-up">http://www.coveredtil26.org/how-to-sign-up</a></p> <p><b>Apply Online</b><br/> <a href="http://www.coveredca.com">www.coveredca.com</a></p> <p><b>MC 250A Form</b><br/> <a href="https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/forms/Forms/MCED/MC_Forms/MC250A_Eng.pdf">https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/forms/Forms/MCED/MC_Forms/MC250A_Eng.pdf</a></p> |

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## Workforce Development

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>Youth Development Services (YDS): Workforce Development</b></p> | <p>Comprehensive services and resources in the fundamental areas of education, workforce development, housing, and life skills to ensure child safety beyond childhood to successfully prepare transition-age youth for independence and self-sufficiency.</p> | <p>16–23<br/>DCFS<br/>TAY</p> | <p>Funding; jobs/skills training/development; tools; dues; uniforms, work/interview clothing; computer/printer</p> | <p>Submit a one-page Request for ILP Services form along with supporting documents to your ILP Transition Coordinator. Get their contact information from your assigned children’s social worker, by contacting Youth Development Services at (213) 351-0101, by accessing this website:<br/><a href="https://www.ilponline.org/">https://www.ilponline.org/</a></p> <p>The ILP Transition Coordinator completes a Request for Funds packet and obtains the required signatures. The approved document is forward to the P.L.E.A.S.E. Unit within the Department of Finance for processing.</p> <p>The check/warrant is mailed to you or is available for pickup at Youth Development Services headquarters.</p> <p>For any questions, contact:<br/><a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br/>3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>(877) 694-5741<br/>(213) 351-0100 / 0101<br/><a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a></p> |

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| <p>Department of Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services (WDACS)</p> <p><b>Youth@Work</b></p> | <p>Three levels of services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Level I: Work-Based Learning (WBL) includes 20 hours of paid personal enrichment training in a classroom setting that prepares youth with fundamental skills—life skills, financial literacy, career exploration, work ethics, and goal-setting—that are essential for success in the 21st Century workplace.</li> <li>Level II: Academic and Career Development. Youth are placed on a career path in a high-growth, in-demand industry sector. Each youth receives an individual plan with goals in education completion, post-secondary education, and/or employment.</li> <li>Level III: Advanced Career Services for youth who may benefit from additional, more intense career planning and training services. Each youth receives an individual plan with goals, sector-driven job training, and/or employment.</li> </ul> | <p>14–24</p>     | <p>Paid personal enrichment training; workplace skills training; career planning; individual in-sector job training; employment</p> | <p>Y@W services are available countywide through the America’s Job Centers of California including YouthSource and One Stop Centers. Walk-ins are always welcome. Find contact information for the AJCC nearest you at: <a href="http://workforce.lacounty.gov/all-service-locations/">http://workforce.lacounty.gov/all-service-locations/</a></p> <p>Youth may also register for services through <a href="http://workforce.lacounty.gov/youth-services/">http://workforce.lacounty.gov/youth-services/</a>. An AJCC staff will contact the youth within three business days.</p> <p>Your caregiver, children’s social worker (CSW), or ILP Coordinator can make a direct referral to YDS, or you can contact the following with any questions:</p> <p><a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br/>           3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>           Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>           (877) 694-5741<br/>           (213) 351-0100 / 0101<br/> <a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a></p> |

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| Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)<br><br>Bridge-to-Work Program                 | This is a 400-hour paid work experience program with 40 hours of pre-work training. Contractors are countywide through a partnership with the Department of Public Social Services and the South Bay Workforce Development Board.                                                                                                                                                                     | 16–21<br>ILP     | Paid work experience; ILP-eligible youth                      | ILP Coordinator submits a one-page referral form to <a href="mailto:ilp.jobs@dcfs.lacounty.gov">ilp.jobs@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a> .<br><br>You can also contact the following with any questions:<br><a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br>3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br>Los Angeles, CA 90010<br>(877) 694-5741<br>(213) 351-0100 / 0101<br><a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a> |
| Probation Department<br><br>Bridge-to-Work Foster Program                                                                          | The Bridge-to-Work-Foster program works with foster youth that are eligible to enroll in ILP (page 4) and aims to encourage them to stay in school, teaches youth how to navigate workplaces, and get them started on a path to a high-wage career. The program consists of a 30-hour course that will help you build basic skills, find career interests, and match you with a PAID work assignment. | 16–21<br>ILP     | Paid work experience; basic-skills course; ILP-eligible youth | For information, contact the nearest ILP Probation Officer or at <a href="http://www.ilponline.org">www.ilponline.org</a> .<br><br>You can also contact the following with any questions:<br><a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br>3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br>Los Angeles, CA 90010<br>(877) 694-5741<br>(213) 351-0100 / 0101<br><a href="https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/">https://ilponline.org/ContactILP/</a>      |
| Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)<br><br>Philip L Browning Youth Worker Program | This is an 18-month, part-time, paid work-experience internship. Youth are assigned to various DCFS offices, typically in a front desk/ office helper capacity. Twice-monthly trainings are held to support youth and assist with transition to other County workforce programs or continued higher education. Only 17 youth are admitted for each 18-month cohort.                                   | 16–21<br>ILP     | Paid work experience; ILP-eligible youth;                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Apply at <a href="http://hr.lacounty.gov/">http://hr.lacounty.gov/</a>.</li> <li>▪ Take the County Career Development Intern Human Resources examination.</li> <li>▪ Receive score based on exam results.</li> <li>▪ Attend interview.</li> <li>▪ Accept placement.</li> </ul> <p>For questions, please e-mail JacQueline Bowen at <a href="mailto:bowenj@dcfs.lacounty.gov">bowenj@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a>.</p>              |

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)   Youth Development Services (YDS)</p> <p><b>Career Development Intern Program</b></p>                                    | <p>Full-time, paid work-experience internship. Youth are assigned to various DCFS offices, typically in an office helper capacity. Twice-monthly, day-long trainings are held to support youth and assist with transition to a permanent employment; 25 youth participate in each cohort.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p>18–26<br/>ILP</p> | <p>Paid work experience; ILP-eligible youth</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Apply at <a href="http://hr.lacounty.gov/">http://hr.lacounty.gov/</a>.</li> <li>▪ Take the County Career Development Intern Human Resources examination.</li> <li>▪ Receive score based on exam results.</li> <li>▪ Attend interview.</li> <li>▪ Accept placement.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p>All county departments; the Department of Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services (WDACS) is lead</p> <p><b>Countywide Youth Bridges Through Youth@Work</b></p> | <p>Through Y@W Level I, this is 100 hours of paid work experience. Youth are assigned to various County departments. In addition, there is a 20-hour pre-work curriculum. At completion of the 120-hour program (Step 1), youth will receive a certificate qualifying them to apply for the countywide Youth Worker position, which is a one-year full-time paid internship in a County department (Step 2).</p> <p>Each department has an allotment of spots for youth that increase each year for Step 1.</p> | <p>17–24</p>         | <p>Paid work experience; county internship</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Visit your local America’s Job Center of CA location or other Youth@Work provider <a href="https://edd.ca.gov/Office_Locator/">https://edd.ca.gov/Office_Locator/</a> and tell them you’re interested in CYBP</li> <li>▪ Ask your caregiver, CSW, or ILP Coordinator to refer you directly through Youth Development Services (YDS)</li> </ul> <p>Complete the online registration form <a href="https://youthjobs.wdacs.lacounty.gov/pls/prod12/f?p=SYEP_YOUTH_INTEREST_FORM:HOM E:0::::">https://youthjobs.wdacs.lacounty.gov/pls/prod12/f?p=SYEP_YOUTH_INTEREST_FORM:HOM E:0::::</a></p> |

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## Expecting and Parenting Youth

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| <p>Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>Early Infant/ Infant Supplement</b></p>                                                         | <p>Funds are available for the pregnant foster youth to prepare for the birth of the child; and once it is born, if the child is not removed, to help with the care of the child.</p> | <p>Pregnant foster youth up to age 21</p>       | <p>Funding for birth prep (7th, 8th, and 9th month) and care of the child</p> | <p>To receive <b>EIS</b>, provide your social worker with a copy of an official medical record, given to you by a health care provider, containing both a verification of pregnancy and the expected delivery date.</p> <p>For <b>IS</b>, contact your social worker to submit a referral to initiate Infant Supplement payments, as well as Medi-Cal coverage for your infant.</p> <p><b>HELPFUL LINKS</b></p> <p><a href="https://dcfs.lacounty.gov/youth/teen-parenting/">https://dcfs.lacounty.gov/youth/teen-parenting/</a></p>                                                |
| <p>State of California/ County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS)</p> <p><b>CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids)</b></p> | <p>CalWORKs is an entitlement established to provide cash aid and services to eligible families that have a child or children in the home.</p>                                        | <p>Non-minor dependent; foster youth parent</p> | <p>Financial assistance; cash aid for families</p>                            | <p>Talk to your social worker or ILP coordinator. Alert your social worker immediately if anything changes to affect your CalWORKs eligibility.</p> <p>To find your ILP coordinator or for any questions, e-mail or call:</p> <p><a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br/>                     3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>                     Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>                     (877) 694-5741<br/>                     (213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> <p>You may also call DPSS's customer service line at (866) 613-3777.</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: center;">State of California   Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Whole Family Foster Home</b></p> | <p>Whole Family Foster Home (WFFH) was created specifically for pregnant and parenting foster youth whose child is not a dependent of the court. The intent is to keep teen parents with their children and out of the foster-care system by helping them develop skills to provide a safe, stable, and permanent home for their children. This is achieved through extra support services from the DCFS and other programs throughout Los Angeles County.</p> <p>A WFFH certified caregiver and the teen parent have the option to develop a Shared Responsibility Plan (SRP). The SRP is created to help develop the parent-child bond, assist the teen parent in their transition to independence, and create a successful, supportive, and nurturing placement for both the teen parent and the child. In addition, the SRP provides clear, realistic guidelines for both the teen parent and the adult caregiver as to the responsibilities of each.</p> <p>The caregiver receives an additional \$200 a month in SRP rate, which is available for each non-dependent child for whom an SRP has been developed.</p> | <p>Until teen foster-youth parent exists the system</p> | <p>Cash aid for foster parents; shared responsibility plan; parenting support</p> | <p>Please contact your social worker if you are interested in a WFFH placement.</p> |

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| <p>State of California   Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>Parenting Support Plan</b></p>              | <p>The Parenting Support Plan will identify significant supports to assist the non-minor dependent parent in developing the skills necessary to provide a safe, stable, and permanent home for their child; to assist the NMD parent in a supervised independent living placement (SILP) in providing the best care plan for their child (WIC §16501.26); to detail the ways that the adult mentor will assist the NMD parent; and to identify supportive services to be offered to the NMD parent.</p> | <p>Non-minor dependent (NMD) parent in a supervised independent living placement (SILP)</p> | <p>Parenting support; cash aid</p> | <p>Please talk with your social worker or ILP Coordinator for more information.</p> <p>To find your ILP coordinator, e-mail or call:<br/> <a href="mailto:youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov">youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov</a><br/>                     3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400<br/>                     Los Angeles, CA 90010<br/>                     (877) 694-5741<br/>                     (213) 351-0100 / 0101</p> |
| <p>State of California   Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)</p> <p><b>Emergency Child Care Bridge Program</b></p> | <p>The Emergency Child Care Bridge Program provides short-term child-care vouchers for working resource parents who request child care as a condition of placement <b>OR</b> to preserve an existing placement; <b>AND</b> for parenting teens enrolled in school or a vocational training program.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <p>Out of home caregivers with DCFS children</p>                                            | <p>Child-care vouchers</p>         | <p>The young child’s social worker must refer caregivers to the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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