



# Bright Futures Program

Bright Futures is a voluntary program of foster care related benefits for qualifying young adults ages 18-23 that have aged out of DCS custody at age 18 or older, or exited DCS via Adoption or Subsidized Permanent Guardianship at or after age 16.

Eligibility	Verification
Completing secondary education or program leading to an equivalent credential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School letter confirming enrollment with expected completion date.</li> </ul>
Enrolled in an institution which provides post-secondary or vocational education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter of acceptance or verification of current enrollment in a post-secondary or vocational education program.</li> </ul>
Employed for at least eighty (80) hours per month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Employment letter on company letterhead; or</li> <li>Verification of Employment or Employment Readiness Program form; or</li> <li>Weekly or monthly check stubs or statements.</li> </ul>
Participating in a program or activity designed to promote or remove barriers to employment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited to one (1) year of eligibility</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter of acceptance on agency letterhead including program description and attendance dates; or</li> <li>Verification of Employment or Employment Readiness Program form; and</li> <li>Monthly verification of attendance.</li> </ul>
Incapable of doing any of the above activities due to a medical condition, including a developmental or intellectual condition, which incapability is supported by regularly updated information in the Transition Plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinical documentation verifying medical, developmental or intellectual condition.</li> <li>Review and approval by DCS regional psychologist or nurse and Director of Independent Living.</li> </ul>

For more information contact your regional DCS Independent Living Specialist or call 844-887-7277