

# Shedding light on after care services.

The Arkansas Division of Children and Family Services [DCFS] offers after care services to youth who aged out of foster care at age 18 or older but who have not turned 21 years old yet.



#1

## What is after care?

After care services can include referrals to things like counseling and other types of support. That includes financial support of up to \$2,000 to help you with expenses like housing or utility deposits, rent, home set-up items like sheets, towels, kitchen items, etc., car repairs, or car insurance.



## What is required?

In order to get after care services, you have to have a budget. But DCFS is happy to help you with this!

Typically no more than \$500 of after care services will be given to an eligible youth per month, but some exceptions may apply.

#2

## How are payments made?

After care payments for eligible expenses must be paid directly to the provider of the good or service, or DCFS can reimburse you for an eligible expense if you provide a receipt and other required documents.

#3

## What else do I need to know?

If you aged out of foster care, you may qualify for Former Foster Care Medicaid as long as you were not in jail or other type of detention when you aged out. This means you would get health insurance for you to cover doctor visits and other eligible medical needs.

#4

## How do I get after care services?

To make a request contact:

- Your Last Caseworker
- Your Last Transitional Youth Services [TYS] Coordinator
- Your Last Attorney Ad Litem
- Your Last CASA

#5

Please call 501-320-6012 if you don't have that information.

**We want to help as you enter adulthood!**