

## **Benefits at a Glance**

# Monthly benefit for children in foster care (AFDC-FC or ARC) or who have exited to guardianship or adoption (Kin-GAP or AAP)

Effective Dates	1/1/17	7/1/17
Home Base Family Care Rate (Basic Rate)	\$889	\$923
D-Rate	\$1490	\$1524
F-1 Rate	\$1080	\$1114
F-2 Rate	\$1230	\$1264
F-3 Rate	\$1490	\$1524
F-4 Rate	\$1710	\$1744

If your guardianship (Kin-GAP) case closed between May 2011 and December 2016, or your adoption (AAP) was finalized between May 27, 2011 and December 31, 2016, then the new basic rate is below:

	0-4 Years	5-8 Years	9-11 Years	12-14 Years	15 and Older
Effective Dates	7/1/17	7/1/17	7/1/17	7/1/17	7/1/17
Basic Rate	\$734	\$794	\$836	\$875	\$917

Please contact DCFS at 1-800-735-4984 to negotiate the higher rates described in first chart if your adoption (AAP) case closed between May 2011 and January 2017. If your guardianship (Kin-GAP) case closed between May 2011 and January 2017, please contact the Benefits Program at the Alliance for Children's Rights at 213-368-6010.

Not all children who have exited to Kin-GAP or AAP receive the above benefits. Prior to January 1, 2017, available benefits for children in foster care, Kin-GAP, and/or AAP received benefits as described here:

	0-4	Years	5-8`	Years	9-11	Years	12-14	4 Years	15 and	d Older
Effective Dates	7/1/15	7/1/16- 12/31/16								
Basic Rate	\$688	\$707	\$744	\$765	\$783	\$804	\$820	\$843	\$859	\$882
F-1 Rate	\$1057	\$1076	\$1047	\$1068	\$1037	\$1059	\$1026	\$1049	\$1009	\$1032
F-2 Rate	\$1203	\$1222	\$1196	\$1217	\$1184	\$1206	\$1174	\$1197	\$1156	\$1179

F-3 Rate	\$1464 \$1483	\$1458	\$1479	\$1446	\$1468	\$1435	\$1458	\$1421	\$1444
F-4 Rate	\$1686 \$1705	\$1676	\$1697	\$1666	\$1688	\$1657	\$1680	\$1636	\$1659
D-Rate	\$1464 \$1483	\$1458	\$1479	\$1446	\$1468	\$1435	\$1458	\$1421	\$1444

Please contact the Benefits Program at the Alliance for Children's Rights at 213-368-6010 if your adoption (AAP) or guardianship (Kin-GAP) case closed before May 2011 because a different rate structure applies.

## Dual Agency Rate (for children ages 0-3 who are both foster youth and regional center clients with certain developmental delays)

Type of Service	7/1/15 – 6/30/16	7/1/16 – 6/30/17	7/1/17 – 6/30/18
Early Intervention	\$1041	\$1041	\$1081
Regional Center Consumer	\$2265	\$2328	\$2417

Dual Agency Rate (for children who are both foster youth and regional center clients with mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, or a disabling condition closely related to mental retardation or that requires similar treatment)

Type of Service	7/1/15 – 6/30/16	7/1/16- 6/30/17	7/1/17 – 6/30/18
Early Intervention	N/A	N/A	N/A
Regional Center Consumer	\$2328	\$2328	\$2417
Supplement	\$250-\$1000	\$250-\$1000	\$250-\$1000

### CalWORKs (TANF, Non-Needy Relative Caregiver's Assistance)

Number of Children	1	2	3	4	5
Amount as of 10/1/2016	\$392	\$645	\$799	\$949	\$1080

CalWORKs funding is available for relatives caring for children outside of the foster care system and/or relatives who are caring for a child placed through foster care who have not yet been approved as a resource family/foster parent.

### Rate for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

• \$558.67 - \$1158.37 (effective January 2017)

#### **Calculation of Survivor Benefits**

• The benefit amount is based on the earnings of the deceased parent. The more the parent paid into Social Security, the greater the child's benefits will be. The child is eligible for seventy-five percent (75%) of the parent's benefits.

Generally, rates are based on where the child resides and not which county has jurisdiction. A Los Angeles County child in foster care placed outside of the County receives the rate of the county or state in which that child lives. The only exception is if the host county does not have a specialized care rate and the child qualifies for a specialized care rate in Los Angeles County. In that case, the child continues to receive the Los Angeles County specialized care rate. This only applies to foster care funding and not AAP. If the child is receiving AAP, the child receives the Los Angeles County rate, or the host county rate, whichever is higher.