

Eligibility – Independent Living Program (ILP) Services and Funds Matrix – DHS Child Welfare (CW) & Indian Child Welfare (ICW) Teens
This Matrix is for the purpose of summarizing ELIGIBILITY for services. A youth must have an open case to receive ILP services (exception is ETG).

Youth's Age Range	Days in CW or ICW Substitute Care Placement	Type of Out-of-Home Care or placement	CW or ICW Custody	Case Status	ILP skills Training	ILP Discretionary Funds	IL Housing Subsidy*	Chafee Housing**	ETV funds via CW **	ETG (OSAC)
14 – 17	1 or more days	Voluntary Placement Agreement (CF499)	Not in custody	Active/Open	Yes	Yes	NO	NO	Must have 180 days of subcare	Must have days of sub
14 – 17	Less than 180 days	Voluntary Placement Agreement (CF499)	Not in custody	Closed	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
16 – 20	More than 180 days	Voluntary Placement Agreement (CF499)	Not in custody	Closed	Yes	Yes	NO	NO	Yes	Yes
14 – 17	Less than 180 days	All other CW or ICW sub- care & Vol. Custody (CF1005)	In custody	Active/Open	Yes	Yes	Yes if age 16 or older	NO	NO	NO
14 – 20	Less than 180 days	All other CW or ICW sub- care & Vol. Custody (CF1005)	Was in custody	Closed	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
16 – 20	More than 180 days	All other CW or ICW sub- care & Vol. Custody (CF1005)	Was in custody	Closed	Yes	Yes	NO	Yes, if dismissed at age 18+	Yes	Yes
Younger than 16	More than 180 days	Guardianship or Adoption	Dismissed	Open or closed	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
16 – 18	180 days or more	Guardianship or Adoption	Dismissed after the age of 16	Open or Closed	Yes	Yes	NO	NO	Yes	Yes

- While in out-of-home care, there is no minimum time requirement for life skills services.
- The only service that can be accessed with no current involvement with DHS or the Tribes is the Chafee ETG. Youth may apply directly at: www.osac.state.or.us/chafeeETV.html
- For a former foster youth to be eligible for ILP services the youth must be **dismissed at age 16 or older** and have at least 180 days of substitute care placement after age 14.
- All ILP Services end at age 21. ETV may continue to age 23 under certain circumstances, can only apply through OSAC after age 21 at www.osac.state.or.us/chafeeETV.html
- Both ILP Housing Programs require that a teen is or was in the care and CUSTODY of DHS child welfare (Subsidy/Chafee) or one of the federally recognized Tribes (Chafee).
- For a teen to access services as a former foster teen, the teen must go to his/her local DHS CW office and open Voluntary services, available until age 21.
- The life skills training can be opened as a non-paid service if CW/ICW is providing the teen with transition planning and other independent living preparation services directly.

* Only Child Welfare (CW) teens are eligible for the IL Subsidy Program (SIND svc. code). Therefore, a teen in Tribal care and custody would not be eligible for Subsidy. However, eligibility for all other ILP services is the same for CW teens and ICW teens.

** A teen may not be able to access both Chafee Housing and ETV at the same time. Will depend on whether Room & Board is included in school's cost of attendance.

*** A youth must have an open case in order to access the Chafee ETVoucher funds via DHS. If the case has been closed, the only option is to submit an ETG application through OSAC.

Note: A teen in CW/ICW care and custody that is or was on runaway status can have those days count towards the 180 days of out-of-home care. Days in care cease to count once the teen is returned home – **regardless of wardship status.**

Grandfather Clause: For youth who do not meet the new eligibility criteria, but have been continually receiving services since prior to 9/1/09, will be granted "grandfather status" and may continue to receive ILP service(s). The grandfather status is only for the particular ILP service they are currently involved in and will not affect any other ILP service.

The Youth Transitions Policy I-B.2.3.5 can be located at: <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/childwelfare/manual1/i-b235.htm>

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Service Name & Funding Stream	FACIS or IIS Service Code	Form Required	Eligibility Criteria	Service Description	Program Management
ILP Life Skills Training (contracted service) Federal Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFCIP)	YILP – Paid service	CF80, ILP Referral Form CF69A, Transition Plan	1) Age 14 or older and in substitute care (CW or ICW), OR 2) Was in substitute care for at least 180 days after age 14 AND was dismissed from care at 16 or older	Daily Living Skills such as: money management, household maintenance, transportation, legal issues, health, housing options, personal hygiene, employment readiness, community resources, informed consumer, etc. Educational Assistance such as: college tours, homework/study groups, financial aid/scholarship applications.	CW/ICW workers initiate referral, Contractor provides services Oversight by ILP Desk in partnership with the field
Life Skills training/services (Provided by caseworker, foster parent, etc.)	YILP – Non-paid service	CF69A, Transition Plan			CW/ICW worker partners with local resources to provide services
ILP Discretionary Funds Federal Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFCIP)	YILP may be paid or non-paid	CF78, ILP Discretionary/ Emergency Funds Request	1) Age 14 or older and in substitute care (CW or ICW), OR 2) Was in substitute care for at least 180 days after age 14 AND was dismissed from care at 16 or older	Small amount of discretionary funds to assist a teen obtain items or services needed to meet their goals for transition.	CW/ICW initiates request, ILP Desk has final approval and overall management
Independent Living Subsidy Program (ILSP) State General Funds Note: Teen cannot live with biological or legal parent(s).	SIND Paid to client	CF75, Determinations Check List CF76, Housing Performance Agreement CF 77, Budget Worksheet	> Age 16 or older > In CW care and custody > 40 hours of activity per week (work, education, or combination) > Has at least one prior substitute care placement > Has approval of the court to participate > If not completed high school, must be actively working to complete high school or obtain a GED > Teen must be enrolled for ILP life skills training services	Financial assistance for monthly living expenses. Teens may receive up to the Regular Adolescent Foster Care Rate per month to live independently for a maximum of one year. Funds can pay for any monthly expense and are paid directly to the teen. May be renting a room, live in own apartment, shared apartment, college dorm, etc. See policy for additional requirements. Teen is responsible for paying all bills, maintaining a liveable household, and maintaining documentation of income and expenses.	CW worker determines if teen is appropriate, initiates request in coordination with ILP Contractor. CW/ICW worker supervises teen's participation and progress ILP Desk reviews, confirms, and processes request and is responsible for overall program management
Chafee Housing Program Federal Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFCIP) Note: Teen cannot live with biological or legal parent(s).	ILPC Paid to the client	CF75, Determinations Check List CF 76, Housing Performance Agreement CF 77, Budget Worksheet	> Age 18 or older, but not yet 21 > Discharged from care and custody (CW or ICW) on or after 18 th birthday > 40 hours of activity per week (work, education, or combination of the two – must include at least 4 hours of paid employment) > If not completed high school, must be actively working to complete High School or obtain a GED > Teen must be enrolled for ILP skills training	Financial assistance for Room & Board expenses only. Teen may receive up to the Regular Adolescent Foster Care Rate per month to live independently for a maximum of \$6,000 or to age 21, whichever comes first. See policy for additional requirements. Teen is responsible for paying all bills, maintaining a liveable household, and maintaining documentation of income and expenses. Note: Chafee Housing services vary from state to state – teen should check with other state prior to moving. A teen may not be able to receive both Chafee Housing and ETV funds – depends on school's cost of attendance.	CW/ICW worker determines if teen is appropriate, initiates request in coordination with ILP Contractor. CW/ICW worker supervises teen's participation and progress ILP Desk reviews, confirms, and processes request and is responsible for overall program management
Chafee Education and Training Vouchers (ETV) Federal CFCIP www.fyi3.com/geteducated/OR	YILP Paid or non-paid	CF78A, Chafee ETV Request (\$1,000 max.) *	Age 14 or older and in substitute care (CW or ICW), OR Was in substitute care for at least 180 days and was terminated after the age of 16	Teen may receive up to \$4,000 per academic year. Amount is based on need. Teen must be accepted/enrolled in a postsecondary education or training program in order to receive funds. Teen must be on the program prior to age 21.	CW/ICW worker initiates request, ILP Desk has final approval and overall management

* ETV funds through CW are a gap-fill for one term only. Remaining ETV funds must be applied for using the ETV Grant application at www.osac.state.or.us/chafeeETV.html