



# Cash awards are available and you may be eligible!

**Were you in foster care on your 14<sup>th</sup> birthday or after? Are you at least 18 years old and under age 27?**

If you were financially impacted by COVID-19, you may be eligible for cash assistance.

Youth who are in and were in foster care have experienced numerous challenges including:

- Housing/homelessness
- Transportation issues
- Utility expenses
- Technology barriers
- Child care challenges
- Food insecurity
- Medical expenses
- Loss of employment/reduced hours
- Serious illness of youth or family
- Financial instability

**Awards will be distributed on a first come first serve basis until September 30, 2022 or until exhausted.**

Your Age Range	When to Apply
Out of care: 18 and up to 27	July 1, 2021 - Sept. 30, 2021*
Out of care: 18 and up to 21	Oct. 1, 2021 — Sept. 30, 2022
In care: 20 and 21	July 1, 2021 - Sept. 30, 2021*
In care: 20	Oct. 1, 2021 — Sept. 30, 2022

*\*If you are currently older than 21, DO NOT DELAY. In order to process your application for direct cash you would need to complete your application by September 15, 2021.*

**Apply Here: <https://chafeeny.smapply.org/>**

