

FINANCE

New Leaf Alternative



IF YOU ARE DOING FOSTER CARE TO MAKE A LOT OF MONEY...

YOU MIGHT WANT TO LOOK AT ANOTHER CAREER....

Loving and seeing after kids in State custody. Giving up your heart, time, talents, emotions, and everything else you can think of. Compensation unrewarded.


Your monthly paycheck in reality pays you for all the meetings, transport, coordination, paperwork, room and board, skills, trainings, work and logistics of taking care of clients in custody.

So, what is the payoff?

- **Personal fulfillment**
- **Skills for life**
- **Passion for building a better society**
- **Making a difference to humanity**
- **Having purpose in your life**
- **Building your own family**
- **Saving a life, a family, a generation**



WHAT IS COVERED?

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- ▶ **All clients in custody come with Medicaid or other medical insurance to see to their medical needs**
 - ▶ **All clients received a monthly allowance to pay for their personal needs of hygiene, clothing, etc.**
 - ▶ **All clients receive fee waivers for school fees, lunches, etc.**
 - ▶ **All clients are eligible at the discretion of their caseworker for special funds according to their needs.**

WHAT IS YOUR MONTHLY COMPENSATION?

Day rate of \$21.667 for the first client in your home

Day rate of \$20.00 for each additional client

Some clients come in at a “less than basic-rate”. This pays at \$18.00 per day and is at a loss-cost to the agency. These are rare but they do happen.

Some cases, especially special needs clients, are paid on a contract by contract basis (level III & level IV)



Rates are established by State guidelines and fall within the higher ranges of basic-rate (what foster parents are paid in the state of Utah) and level II Utah clients that New Leaf serves.

<http://www.childtrends.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Foster-Care-Payment-Rate-Report.pdf>



EACH MONTH PAPERWORK MUST COME INTO NEW LEAF; ACCOUNTING FOR THE FUNDS GIVEN TO THE CLIENT FOR THEIR NEEDS

Because the monies, on behalf of the client, are issued from federal funding; all expenditures must be accounted for.



STEPS FOR SUCCESSFUL USE:

1. Sign and receive the funds for your client
2. Spend the funds on their needs with 2/3 of the funding for clothing, shoes, etc.
3. Keep all the receipts
4. Fill out the funding allowance documents
5. You and the client both sign for the expenditures
6. Turn in all the receipts and documentation each month with original receipts and signatures.

CALL BECKY IF YOU ARE NOT SURE WHAT YOU CAN PURCHASE WITH THESE MONIES AS ALL PURCHASES ARE AUDITED EACH YEAR.





QUESTIONS?

- ▶ Often this presentation will leave you with questions.
- ▶ Please bring these to the Tuesday training-meetings as it will be most helpful to ask and receive answers directly.
- ▶ You can also contact me at rebecca@newleafalternative.com for more immediate response.