

**Homeless Prevention Initiative Fund
Permanent Housing Assistance
Fact Sheet**

DCFS has one-time **non-emergent** funding available to assist Transition Age Youth who have exited the Los Angeles County DCFS system with obtaining **rental** permanent housing.

The funding can be used for the following:

- Move-In costs including security deposit and first month rent
- Payment of rent for 3 mos.
- Utility connection fees, excluding telephone and cable
- Appliances including a stove, refrigerator, and a microwave
- Furniture including a bed or sofa bed, dresser, dinette table

Eligibility Requirements

- Resided in a group home, foster home or relative care after age 16 or were adopted after age 12
- Between 18 and 24 years of age
- Must demonstrate financial need
- Currently employed or have a source of income such as AFDC or SSI (excluding financial aid)
- Monthly net income (take home pay) cannot exceed \$2500.00
- Housing costs should not exceed 50% of net income (take home)
- Applicants may not have savings that exceeds \$10,000.00
- It is preferred that applicants rent a room or secure a roommate
- Youth who have completed or participated in a transitional housing program for a minimum of 12 consecutive months are preferred

Youth must locate their own housing

For further information or to request an application please contact Al Willis, Youth Development Services at (213) 351-0159.

Youth who are under age 21 must contract their ILP Coordinator