

FINANCE ENTITLEMENTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 16+ APRIL 2018- MARCH 2019

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Item	Statutory Requirement	16-17 Current Amount	18-25	Regularity	Comments
Leaving Care Grant Setting Up allowance	Statutory Requirement	£300 (advance discretionary)	£2000	One off Payment	When young people are moving into semi Independent Accommodation a discretionary advance can be paid of £300. But a total of up to £2000 is provided when moving into permanent accommodation
Accommodation allowance	Statutory Requirement	Full placement costs covered	Top up to Housing Benefit	On-going	If ineligible for Housing benefit full amount will be paid to the provider. For those that are non compliant then notice will be given and accommodation cancelled.
Exceptional Emergency Payments	Statutory Requirement	Dependent on the level of need	£5 up to maximum £30 (number of requests for young person to be explicit on mosaic and given to AD) £1 to be added on in order to withdraw cash from ATM	One-off Payment	If the Young Adult has exhausted the budgeting loan, hardship payment, and short term benefit advance a discretionary payment can be made, or it may be in kind ie food parcel dependent on assessed of need and location.
Direct support for the young person (key work spot purchase or via provider)	Statutory Requirement	Dependent on the level of need	Dependent on the level of need	On-going	All young people are required to have key worker support, determined by the needs of the young person. All other things being equal, under 16s in semi-independent accommodation will require more support than those 18 and over.
Subsistence	Statutory Requirement	£57.90 (if in semi-independent accommodation)	£57.90	Weekly until 4 weeks post 18	Ongoing post 18 for those ineligible for welfare benefits i.e. ARE, NRPf. All workers need to ensure that they put an end date of 4 weeks from the 18th birthday in order for benefit claims to be assessed. If payment of benefit is not within the 4 weeks from birthday then the Exceptional Emergency Payments procedures come in to effect.
Clothing	Statutory Requirement	£20/ month	Discretionary one off based on assessed need i.e. release from prison	Monthly or one off dependent	Ongoing for those in semi-independence not for young people in foster care this is covered in allowance.

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Travel	Statutory Requirement	Free access via Oyster card If in an area where there is no Oyster card then use 16-19 bursary Fund New UASC cases for travel to Home Office	Top up to a maximum of £20 to the reduced student rate if in education or full amount if ineligible for reduced rate. One off rate travel if linked to educational/training/ participation opportunity if Drive Forward are unable to Fund Fund travel to Court or Home Office	Weekly/Monthly	Term time only when attending education/training only. Evidence to be produced 18+ Student Oyster Card (one off admin fee payable £20) DWP offer 1/2 adult rate pay as you go oyster on bus or trams for 18-24 year olds on JSA for minimum of 13 weeks YAS will consider topping up shortfall in travel up to a maximum of £20 per week if course is in a specialist college that's not within easy access to home or needs to travel on underground.
Birthday	Statutory Requirement	£57.90	N/A	Annually	16 th and 17 th birthday if in semi-independent accommodation
18th Birthday	Statutory Requirement	N/A	£57.90 (18 th birthday only)	One Off	18 Only last payment.
Photos	Statutory Requirement	£5.00	£5.00	One off payment	To be used for application forms which cannot be completed online and submitted
Birth Certificate	Statutory Requirement	Varies Check with appropriate council	Varies Check with appropriate council	One off Payment	For young people who do not have a certificate and need to be purchased. 16-21 year olds.
Government University Bursary	Statutory Requirement	N/A	£2000.00	Divided up Over 3 years	Young people over the age of 18 Enrolled on a university course / Higher Education.
Graduation Equipment	Good Practice	N/A	Cost of graduation Gown if no funding via care leavers university bursary	One off Payment	Graduating from course letter from university to be produced. Care Leavers university Lead to be approached in the first instance (Propel website will give details) Items Hire of gown only.
Holiday accommodation support	Discretionary	N/A	£100	Up to 20 weeks annually	Rent contribution for holiday accommodation for Young Adults at University (up to 3 weeks during Christmas and Easter Break, 14 weeks during summer period)

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Item	Good Practice	Discretionary	16-17	18-25 Current Amount	Regularity	Comments
Education Support	Good Practice		£250.00	£250.00	Annually	Young People over the age of 18 Enrolled at University Higher Education paid towards vacation accommodation. Can apply to Tottenham Grammar before 30/11/2017 for £250
Clothing for job Interview	Good Practice		£50.00	£50.00	One of payment	Must have evidence of interview. DWP officer on site to be approached first. Check if referrals have been made to Smart Works (females) http://smartworks.org.uk/ or Suited and Booted (males) http://www.suitedbootedcentre.org.uk/
Detention in Hospital or Custody	Good Practice		£5 or £10 based on assessed need	Remand discretionary £5 Convicted N/A	Weekly	18+ if need assessed it would be considered exceptional emergency payment one off. Need certificate of postage
Passport	Good Practice		£72.50	£72.50	One off Payment	For young people 16- 21 only one application to be made. If ID is required for benefits citizenship card can be applied for.
Emergency Gas/Electric Top up allowance	Discretionary		N/A	£20.00 up to 3 annually (£10 each for gas and electric)	One off or Weekly dependent on assessed need	Gas and Electric vouchers/ or directly onto key. To assist young adults who are living in Social Housing and are unable to financial cope due to a reduce Housing Benefit offer or emergency / exceptional circumstance. Request needs to advice how many applications made in that financial year.
Food Parcels	Discretionary			Provided in Kind by way of a prepared food parcel	After Assessment	As an alternative to cash if there are concerns about managing money.
Travel Warrants	Discretionary		To facilitate contact	Assessment based and 1 annually	After Assessment	Dependent on assessed need