

## how to apply ●●●●●●●●●●

1. Referrals can be made only after it has been determined by the TAY's Transitional Living Team (TLT) or ILP Case Manager that there are no other funding options available to the TAY. When possible, TAY needs for TAY-FAP support shall be included in their Transition to Independent Living Plan.
2. If the youth is a participant in SLO THPP, THP+FC, THP+ they may make their request through their program Case Manager or Social Worker to the TAY-FAP Coordinator in collaboration with ILP.
3. Request must be initiated in writing by the TAY needing assistance, using the TAY Financial Assistance Request Form.
  - For TAY placed in THPP or THP+, Financial Assistance Request Forms shall be given to their FCNI SW or RS to be presented to the TAY's TLT.
  - For TAY served solely by the ILP Program, Financial Assistance Request Forms shall be given to their ILP Case Manager.
4. The youth will sign a TAY-FAP Agreement of Responsibility Form.
5. All approved TAY Financial Assistance Request Forms shall be forwarded to the FCNI TAY-FAP Coordinator for processing.
  - All payment requests must be approved by DSS and FCNI management prior to release of funds.

The Department of Social Services and the Family Care Network agree that the philosophy and practice underlying the TAY Financial Assistance Program is to empower TAY to achieve self-sufficiency and establish essential community connections to meet their needs.

## resources ●●●●●●●●●●

If you have looked into all other funding options such as working, scholarships, grants and loans, but still are in need of funds, talk with your case manager and see if the TAY Financial Assistance Program would be a good fit for you. If you think it is, we can get you a request form today!

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) – [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- Chafee Grant  
<https://www.chafee.csac.ca.gov>
- Board of Governors Fee Waiver Application (BOGW) (For any CA Community College)
- Federal Work Study Program (qualify thru FASFA)
- Visit your high school's career center or counselor's office and/or website to find local scholarship opportunities
- Access Foundation Scholarship (THPP & THP+ only)  
<http://www.finaid.org/>
- <http://www.fastweb.com>
- California College Pathways  
<http://www.cacollegepathways.org/>
- <http://cocco.edu/>  
Click on Student Support tab



Family Care Network, Inc.  
1255 Kendall Road  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401  
[www.fcni.org](http://www.fcni.org) • 805.781.3535

Revised: 8/14/15

# transitional ●●●●●●●●●● age youth financial assistance program ●●●●●●●●●● (TAY-FAP)





TAY-FAP provides financial support to ILP eligible TAY with needs related to enrolling in or maintaining enrollment in school or employment that enhances their ability to achieve independence and self-sufficiency.

## eligibility requirements

- Eligible for ILP\* in San Luis Obispo County (this includes THPP, THP+ and THP+FC youth in SLO county) and:
- Attending or enrolled in a California University (CSU or UC), California Community College or Vocational Program
- Has exhausted all other financing options covered by Financial Aid, Chafee Grants, etc.
- Funds will enhance TAY's ability to achieve independence and self-sufficiency
- Be willing to sign an agreement
- Funds are limited and availability is subject to change based on the funding of the program

*\*Exception: If a youth is currently receiving TAY-FAP funds and enrolled in school beyond the age of 21, they may receive funds continuing support until they graduate (not to exceed 24 years of age)*

## financial assistance options

- Housing in a dormitory, student housing or apartment
- Transportation needs
- School supplies, text books, lab fees, or other required school related tools
- Meeting urgent, essential or emergency needs related to living (e.g., utilities, household items, furnishings, etc.)



## support

- As an incentive to those participants that are enrolled in school and employed, TAY-FAP will provide a savings match, up to \$100 per month per participant, payable to the participant at the end of the participant's first year (Participant's personal bank statement is required to verify eligibility for this savings match. This does not apply to Participants in THPP, THP+FC and THP+.)
- TAY-FAP participants who are interested in a mentor may request one through the TAY-FAP Coordinator.
- Those youth who are interested in case management support beyond the age of 21 may request support by contacting the TAY-FAP Coordinator.

## independent living plan

When possible, your needs for TAY-FAP support shall be included in your Transition to Independent Living Plan (TILP). This encourages planning, exploring other resource options, team participation, and minimizes crisis or emergency requests.

