



DEPENDENT GRANT GUIDELINES

Orangewood Foundation's Dependent Grants of up to **\$250** per fiscal year (July 1st – June 30th) provide financial assistance for current Orange County, CA, foster youth to support camperships, yearbooks, school pictures, prom/formal dances, graduation expenses, extracurricular activities (school/sports), bicycle for school/work transportation, etc. For those who are prepared to get their driver license, up to an additional **\$300** may be available for **driving school** as a reimbursement upon proof of completion of driving school and proof of a state issued driver license. Submitting an application does not guarantee funding. Not all applicants are eligible. Along with the Grant application, eligibility must be verified.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES:

In order to be eligible for a Dependent Foster Youth Grant, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Currently declared a dependent of Orange County, CA
- Between the age of 0 to 17
- Orange County 602 Probation youth in out-of-home placement who are ILP eligible.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

1. **Application Submission:** Submit a new Dependent Grant application (required each fiscal year, July 1st - June 30th). Application may be submitted anytime during the year, but no later than June 1st. Otherwise, the application will apply to the following fiscal year. The Dependent Foster Youth Grant application can be found on the Orangewood Foundation website: <https://www.orangewood4you.org/childrens-trust-fund/childrens-trust-fund-dependent-grant/>.
2. **Application Approval/Denial:** Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-serve basis and funding is approved at the discretion of the Scholarships and Grants Coordinator. Funding is not guaranteed. Applicants will be contacted to inform them of application status and grant process if approved.

FUNDING INSTRUCTIONS:

Commonly Funded Items:

- School (basic supplies/books/pictures/school ID/yearbook/graduation announcements, cap and gown/P.E. clothes/tickets for prom and other formal dances/testing/fieldtrips/tutoring/etc.)
- Organized Extracurricular Activities (school and/or after-school sports, clubs, lessons, events, etc.)
- Work/Training (clothing, tools, training, certificate, etc.)
- Bicycle, Helmet, & Lock for School/Work Transportation
- Camperships
- Medical/Dental/Vision Expenses (special circumstances)
- Counseling (special circumstances)
- Bus Pass (if not ILP eligible)
- State Identification/Driver License
- Driver's Education (see guidelines for details)

Submitting Requests – Requests can be made after receiving notification of approval, email the following information to the Scholarships and Grants Coordinator:

- Full youth name and Date of Birth
- Receipt or Invoice
- Amount of Check Request
- Name of Payee (Vendor must accept 3rd party checks and W9 Form must be provided)
- Payee Mailing Address

A request still must be approved for funding, the Scholarships and Grants coordinator will inform you if the request is approved or if there is anything more needed. If the request is denied the Coordinator will inform you of the reason.

Additional Funding Information:

- **Alternative Sources of Funding:** Alternatives may need to be considered before grant funds are expended.
- **Receipts:** All receipts submitted must be a clear image. The date purchased, items purchased, total amount spent must be easily visible. Receipt date must be within the fiscal year of the current fund (July 1st – June 30th)
- **Previous Year Funding:** The annual fiscal year funding period is from July 1st to June 30th. All grants expire each year on June 30th. Funding does not roll over into the next funding period.
- **Driver’s Education:** Approved recipients qualify for driver’s education funding up to an additional \$300 if they don’t currently have a driver license. Driver’s Education funding will be offered as a reimbursement to eligible students with proof of completing driver’s education and proof of their state issued driver license. When Training is purchased, receipt must be submitted to the Scholarships and Grants Coordinator. Further details will be given regarding reimbursement once Training receipt is submitted. Reimbursement is not guaranteed, it is not granted until the Driver’s License is earned within the time frame.

CONTACT US:

For questions please contact the Scholarships and Grants Coordinator.

- Orangewood Foundation Address: 1575 E. 17th St., Santa Ana, CA, 92705
- Orangewood Foundation Website: www.orangewoodfoundation.org
- Orangewood Youth Website: www.orangewood4you.org
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