

PARENTAL FEE PROGRAM – FEE CALCULATION

Parents of children under 18 years of age receiving 24-hour out-of-home care services through a regional center are required to pay a monthly Parental Fee (PFEE), based on a percentage of income, when the annual gross family income is at or above 201% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) with a family of two or more. The monthly parental fee is effective 60 days from the date of the child's placement in 24-hour out-of-home care.

The PFEE program monthly fee is the lessor of:

- The PFEE Program Calculation Table based on the FPL, annual gross family income, and family size. The annual gross income based on family size is multiplied by the applicable fee percentage to arrive at the annualized fee amount, which is divided by 12 to determine the monthly fee (See Table below).
- The monthly cost of caring for a child, as determined by the most recent data available from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) based on the parent(s) income and age of the child.
- The actual cost of services paid for with state funds

The table below is provided for fee estimation purposes. As noted, fees could be lower based on the most recent data available from the USDA or actual costs of services paid by the state.

Fee Percentages by Household Size and Annual Gross Income*					
Family Size	0%-200% of FPL Fee=0%	201%-300% of FPL Fee=3%	301-400% of FPL Fee=4%	401-500% of FPL Fee=5%	At or above 501% of FPL Fee=6%
2	\$0 - \$40,880	\$40,881 - \$61,320	\$61,321 - \$81,760	\$81,761 - \$102,200	\$102,201 & Higher
3	\$0 - \$51,640	\$51,641 - \$77,460	\$77,461 - \$103,280	\$103,281 - \$129,100	\$129,101 & Higher
4	\$0 - \$62,400	\$62,401 - \$93,600	\$93,601 - \$124,800	\$124,801 - \$156,000	\$156,001 & Higher
5	\$0 - \$73,160	\$73,161 - \$109,740	\$109,741 - \$146,320	\$146,321 - \$182,900	\$182,901 & Higher
6	\$0 - \$83,920	\$83,921 - \$125,880	\$125,881 - \$167,840	\$167,841 - \$209,800	\$209,801 & Higher
7	\$0 - \$94,680	\$94,681 - \$142,020	\$142,021 - \$189,360	\$189,361 - \$236,700	\$236,701 & Higher
8	\$0 - \$105,440	\$105,441 - \$158,160	\$158,161 - \$210,880	\$210,881 - \$263,600	\$263,601 & Higher
9	\$0 - \$116,200	\$116,201 - \$174,300	\$174,301 - \$232,400	\$232,401 - \$290,500	\$290,501 & Higher
10	\$0 - \$126,960	\$126,961 - \$190,440	\$190,441 - \$253,920	\$253,921 - \$317,400	\$317,401 & Higher

*Fee table is effective 7/1/2024 to 6/30/2025

The maximum monthly fee for parents who fail to submit the requested information within 30 days of the date the Department requested the documentation is provided below:

Child Age	Maximum Monthly Fee**
Age 0-2	\$1,723
Age 3-5	\$1,723
Age 6-8	\$1,691
Age 9-11	\$1,798
Age 12-14	\$1,826
Age 15-17	\$2,013

**USDA Maximum Cost of Caring for a Child