Foster Family Care Rates Effective July 1, 2026

Restricted/Regular Foster Family Care Rates

Age	Restricted/Regular Foster Family Care Monthly Rate	Per Diem
0–11	$1,562.53	$52.08
12–19	$1,737.58	$57.92

Specialized Foster Family Care Rate Payments

Level	Age	Service Payment	Foster Family Care Rate	Total Monthly Rate	Per Diem/ Per Child
LEVEL 1 – for each child (The maximum number of children per home is 6, including caregiver's own children.)	**0–11**	$591.90	$1,562.53	**$2,154.43**	**$71.81**
	12–19	$591.90	$1,737.58	**$2,329.48**	**$77.65**
LEVEL 2 – for each child-specific agreement or each bed-specific agreement for 1 bed	**0–11**	$1,473.74	$1,562.53	**$3,036.27**	**$101.21**
	12–19	$1,473.74	$1,737.58	**$3,211.32**	**$107.04**
LEVEL 2 - for 2 children – bed-specific	**0–11**	$2,544.13	$3,125.06	**$5,669.19**	**$94.49**
	12–19	$2,544.13	$3,475.16	**$6,019.29**	**$100.32**
LEVEL 2 - for 3 children – bed-specific (For Level 2 homes, the maximum number of beds is 3.)	**0–11**	$3,480.06	$4,687.59	**$8,167.65**	**$90.75**
	12–19	$3,480.06	$5,212.74	**$8,692.80**	**$96.59**
LEVEL 3 – for each child-specific agreement or each bed-specific agreement for 1 bed	**0–11**	$2,347.67	$1,562.53	**$3,910.20**	**$130.34**
	12–19	$2,347.67	$1,737.58	**$4,085.25**	**$136.18**
LEVEL 3 - for 2 children – bed-specific (For Level 3 homes, the maximum number of beds is 2.)	**0–11**	$4,023.08	$3,125.06	**$7,148.14**	**$119.14**
	12–19	$4,023.08	$3,475.16	**$7,498.24**	**$124.97**

Standardized Rate Table for the Service Payment of Level 2 and Level 3 Foster Caregivers where the home exceeds Standard Capacity - Effective July 1, 2026

Level	Age	Service Rate	Maintenance Rate	Total Monthly Rate	Per Diem/ Per Child
LEVEL 2 – with 4th child placement (exceeding standard capacity by 1)	**0–11**	$4,415.99	$6,250.12	**$10,666.11**	**$88.88**
	12–19	$4,415.99	$6,950.32	**$11,366.31**	**$94.72**
LEVEL 2 – with 5th child placement (exceeding standard capacity by 2)	**0–11**	$5,351.92	$7,812.65	**$13,164.57**	**$87.76**
	12–19	$5,351.92	$8,687.90	**$14,039.82**	**$93.60**
LEVEL 2 – with 6th child placement (exceeding standard capacity by 3)	**0–11**	$6,287.85	$9,375.18	**$15,663.03**	**$87.02**
	12–19	$6,287.85	$10,425.48	**$16,713.33**	**$92.85**
LEVEL 3 – with 3rd child placement (exceeding standard capacity by 1)	**0–11**	$5,698.49	$4,687.59	**$10,386.08**	**$115.40**
	12–19	$5,698.49	$5,212.74	**$10,911.23**	**$121.24**
LEVEL 3 – with 4th child placement (exceeding standard capacity by 2)	**0–11**	$7,373.90	$6,250.12	**$13,624.02**	**$113.53**
	12–19	$7,373.90	$6,950.32	**$14,324.22**	**$119.37**
LEVEL 3 – with 5th child placement (exceeding standard capacity by 3)	**0–11**	$9,049.31	$7,812.65	**$16,861.96**	**$112.41**
	12–19	$9,049.31	$8,687.90	**$17,737.21**	**$118.25**
LEVEL 3 – with 6th child placement (exceeding standard capacity by 4)	**0–11**	$10,724.72	$9,375.18	**$20,099.90**	**$111.67**
	12–19	$10,724.72	$10,425.48	**$21,150.20**	**$117.50**

Family Care Home Level	Additional Service Payment per CYIC over the Standard Capacity
Level 2	$935.93/month
Level 3	$1675.41/month

Relief/Respite Care and Rates

Some foster homes provide relief or respite care for the ministry. Relief/respite rates for restricted, regular, and Level 1 caregivers are $10.00 more than the regular daily rates.

Relief/Respite Per Diem Rates Effective July 1, 2026		
	Age 11 & under	Age 12 - 19
Regular & Restricted homes	$62.08	$67.92
Level 1 homes	$87.65	$87.65
Level 2 homes	$107.04	$107.04
Level 3 homes	$136.18	$136.18

Restricted, Regular, and Level 1 rate includes extra $10.00/per diem.

The foster family care rate

Restricted and regular family care homes receive the foster family care rate appropriate to the age of the child. The foster family care rate covers the direct costs of caring for the child. This rate is intended, with limited exceptions, to cover the day-to-day costs incurred in caring for a child over an extended period of time. It is expected that in some months expenditures will be less than the foster family care rate, while in other months costs may be higher. The expectation is that the caregiver will manage payments and expenditures so that over an extended period of time, there will be neither a deficit nor a surplus.

Expected costs of caring for a child include:

Food – the child's share of food purchases including food prepared in the home, brought in or eaten out; school lunches; and baby formula

Household costs – the child's share of the household costs (including, but not limited to, bedding, linen, household supplies and utilities) as well as the increased wear-and-tear on furniture and soft furnishings resulting from additional children in the home

Transportation and mileage – the child's share of family transportation costs, including, but not limited to, day-to-day transportation costs that are specific to or on behalf of the child and as outlined in the child's plan of care (i.e., transportation to school, physical and mental health care appointments, recreational activities, and local family visits; and/or the cost of a bus pass)