

DCFS INITIAL AFDC DETERMINATION Title IV-E Benefits for Foster Child

Child in Custody Information

Name of Child (last, first, middle)	Social Security #	Date of Birth	PID
Current Placement Name and Address:		County	Telephone #

Section I: AFDC Requirements – e-Rep Entry

Part A: Date of Petition (Eligibility Month) _____ Go to section I, part B

Part B: Removal Household Members List all members of the removal household, including siblings who may also be in State custody.

Name	Relationship	Excluded	Reason for Exclusion
Foster Child:			
AFDC Group Size _____ Go to section I, part C			

Part C: Citizenship Is the child a U.S. citizen or a qualified alien admitted for permanent residence?

- Yes
 - U.S. Citizen Verification _____
 - Qualified Alien Verification _____

Go to section I, part D

- No STOP. Child is not eligible for IV-E.
 - Illegal Alien Go to section II.

Part D: Age Is the child under age 18, or age 18 and expected to complete high school or technical training before the age of 19? *NOTE: If age 18, eligibility ends at graduation or when full-time schooling is discontinued for Title IV-E.*

Yes Age _____ If child is age 18 or over, documentation for schooling status/graduation date is required. Check verification type, if applicable.

- School verification/report card
- DWS Form 126, "School Attendance-age 18"
- SAFE education screen

Go to section I, part E.

No Child is not eligible for IV-E. Go to section II.

Part E: Caretaker Relative Is the person from whom the court took custody or who signed the voluntary placement agreement a caretaker relative? *(This is the caretaker relative whom the court found it was in the best interest of the child to be removed from or it was contrary to the welfare of the child to remain with or who signed the voluntary placement agreement.)*

Yes List relationship _____ Go to section I, part F.

No Child is not eligible for IV-E. Go to section II.

Part F: Deprivation Is the child deprived of support of one or both parents due to continued absence from the removal home, incapacitation, or unemployment/underemployment of the principal wage earner?

Yes

- Absent Parent
- Incapacitation
- Unemployment/Underemployment

Primary Wage Earner _____
Go to section I, part G

No Child is not IV-E eligible. Go to section II.

Part G: Assets Complete the asset tables and answer the asset questions for members of the AFDC group.

Asset Computation

AFDC Group Asset Determination	
Accounts (savings, checking, stocks, etc.)	\$ _____
Countable Vehicles (from table below)	\$ _____
Personal Property (life insurance, funeral plans, etc.)	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

Note: Include stepparent assets in determining countable assets.

Vehicles: Exclude up to \$1,500 for one vehicle and add together all remaining values.

	Vehicle #1	Vehicle #2	Vehicle #3
Trade in Value	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Minus Amount Owed	- _____	- _____	- _____
Minus Excluded Amount	\$ _____		
Value	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Note: Exclude up to \$1500.00 for one vehicle and add together all remaining values.

Total Countable Vehicles \$ _____

What are the countable assets of the AFDC group? \$ _____

Are the assets of the AFDC group less than \$10,000?

- Yes Go to section I part H.
- No Child is not IV-E eligible. Go to section II

Part H: Earned and Unearned Income Complete the income tables and answer the income questions for members of the AFDC group.

Income Computation

Earned Income: Provide all AFDC group members' gross monthly earned income in the table below. Do not include stepparent's earned income in the table below or the stepparent in the AFDC group size.

Name of Person Employed	Employer	Countable		Gross Amount	Total Countable
		Yes	No		
Child:					
Total Monthly Countable Income					
Total Monthly Countable Income	Removal Date	X Removal Month %	=	Total Income Available to Child	

Unearned Income: Provide the AFDC group's gross monthly unearned income. Do not include stepparent's unearned income in the table below or the stepparent in the AFDC group size.

Name	Type of Income	Countable		Gross Amount	Total Countable
		Yes	No		
Child:					
Total Monthly Countable Income					
Total Monthly Countable Income	Removal Date	X Removal Month %	=	Total Income Available to Child	

Note: Subtract \$50 child support deduction for the household, if applicable, in the total countable column.

Deeming Stepparent's Income: Complete the following calculation utilizing the stepparent's countable gross earned and unearned income. (Do not count stepparent in the child's AFDC group size.)

Stepparent's AFDC group size: _____

Gross Monthly Countable Earned Income	\$ _____
Minus \$90 Work Allowance (if applicable)	\$ - _____
Subtotal	\$ _____
Add Countable Unearned Income	\$ + _____
Subtotal	\$ _____
Subtract 100% Need Standard (For stepparent's AFDC group)	\$ - _____
Subtract any child support/alimony being paid Times Removal Month %	\$ - _____
Total Deemed Income	\$ _____

185% Income Test: If the AFDC group's gross monthly income is less than the 185% Need Standard for the AFDC group size, continue with the 100% Income Test. 185% Need Standard for group size _____

# 1 Total Countable Earned Income	\$ _____
# 2 Total Countable Unearned Income	\$ _____
# 3 Deemed Stepparent Income	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

100% Income Test: If the AFDC group's gross monthly income is less than the 100% Need Standard for the AFDC group size, the child meets the income criteria. 100% Need Standard for group size _____

Gross Monthly Countable Earned Income	\$ _____
Subtract \$90 Work Disregard (for each working person)	\$ _____ \$ - _____
Subtotal	\$ _____
Subtract Dependent Care Cost	\$ - _____
Times removal month %	= _____
Subtotal	\$ _____
Add Total Countable Unearned Income	\$ + _____
Subtotal	\$ _____
Add Deemed Stepparent Income	\$ + _____
Total Adjusted Income	\$ _____

What is the total countable monthly earned and unearned income of the AFDC group (including deemed stepparent income)? \$ _____

Is the total countable income less than the 185% Need Standard for the AFDC group size?

Yes If yes, is the adjusted income less than the 100% Need Standard for the AFDC group size?

Yes Child meets initial IV-E eligibility requirements. Go to section, part I.

No Child is not IV-E eligible. Go to section II.

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Part I: AFDC Determination Result – Result is displayed in the initial month decision on e-Rep program home

A. All requirements in questions B-F are met.

Yes Child meets the AFDC requirements for IV-E eligibility for this custody episode. AFDC result in eRep is "Yes". Go to section II.

No Child does not meet the AFDC requirements and is not IV-E eligible. AFDC result in eRep is "No". Go to section II.

Section II: Summary of AFDC Foster Child Determination

1. Title IV-E Initial Eligibility Determination

Yes Child met initial AFDC requirements.
Eligibility Month: _____

No Child did **not** meet initial AFDC eligibility requirements and **cannot** become IV-E eligible for this custody episode.
Reason child did not meet AFDC requirements: _____

Notes:

Eligibility Worker Signature: _____ **Date:** _____