



## SECTION 23J

### J. ACS FURNITURE & HOUSING GRANTS

#### ACS HAS TWO “ONE-SHOT” GRANTS FOR FOSTER YOUTH:

Note: Youth cannot be older than 21.5 years of age to apply

-  **A move-in grant of \$1,800** which can be used for a security deposit, first month's rent, broker's fee, moving expenses, and/or furniture (as applicable).  
Youth moving into supportive housing are only eligible for \$645 of the move-in grant, not the full \$1,800.
-  **A grant of up to \$1,800 for rent arrears;** this can only be used one time

In 2017, ACS reinstated the **Discharge Grant**. This provides additional funding of up to **\$1,000** to assist youth aging out of foster care with essential items needed when moving into their apartment. The grant will cover items such as home goods, metro-cards, food, furniture, children's clothing, toiletries, etc.

The **Discharge Grant** can be used for a TV no larger than 50 inches (limit one), but all other entertainment electronics (video games etc.) will not be reimbursed.

Note: ACS will not reimburse sales tax.

**TIP!** Coaches should always ensure the young person applies for these grants, when needed, whether it is the Case Planner, Housing Specialist, or Coach assisting in the process.  
**This is one of the Required Steps in each of the “obtaining housing” goals.**

For details on how to apply and tips, see [Appendix I11\\_ACS Housing Subsidy](#) and [Appendix I13\\_Discharge Grant Reimbursement Request Forms](#).

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