



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, toiletries, etc.

The **Discharge Grant** can be used for a TV no larger than 50 inches, 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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