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## DHS PAYMENT CODES FOR FOSTER/ADOPTIVE FAMILIES

### Have you ever received a check from DHS, but are unsure what the payment is for?

When families receive a check from DHS a payment code is issued with the check that describes what the payment is for. Please use the list below to help you identify future payments you receive from DHS. If you still have additional questions, please check with your DHS worker.

- C990**----Foster family maintenance
- F150**----Adoption pre-subsidy maintenance
- F170**----Adoption subsidy maintenance

### Special Issuance Codes

These are listed alphabetically by the code. When these appear on the payment history or on your check, they will have the letter "S" in front of the three characters.

- A02**----Adoption subsidy – child care
- A08**----Adoption subsidy – attorney fees
- A09**----Adoption subsidy – medical not Medicaid covered
- A10**----Adoption subsidy – supplies and equipment
- A13**----Adoption subsidy – same day in-out
- F01**----Foster family – ancillary services
- F02**----Foster family – child care
- F03**----Foster family – tangible goods
- F04**----Foster family – clothing allowance
- F05**----Foster family – school fees
- F06**----Foster family – transportation
- F07**----Foster family – independent living initial allowance
- F09**----Foster family – medical not Medicaid covered
- F13**----Foster family – same day in-out
- F14**----Foster family – respite
- P02**----Adoption pre-subsidy – child care
- P10**----Adoption pre-subsidy – supplies and equipment
- P13**----Adoption pre-subsidy – same day in-out

## Have you recently moved?

Please be sure to add IFAPA to your list of people to notify when you move or have a new e-mail address. It's simple, just send e-mail to our office at [smiles@ifapa.org](mailto:smiles@ifapa.org) with all of your new contact information and we'll be able to continue keeping you in the loop with the latest happenings.

## Grant Opportunity for Youth in Foster Care

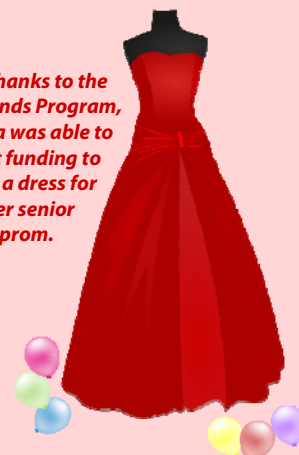
IFAPA operates the Friends of Children in Foster Care program which provides Iowa foster children with the funds they need for those special "extras" in life which they would otherwise not receive. The maximum grant request limit is \$200 per child, per fiscal year. IFAPA's fiscal year runs July 1 through June 30. Limited funding is available.

### What Items Will the Friends Program Fund for Foster Children?

Items that will be covered by the Friends of Children in Foster Care program include:

- Sporting activity fees & equipment
- Swimming lessons
- Summer camps
- Music instruments
- Music, voice and dance lessons
- Tae Kwon Do fees
- Prom attire
- Senior/class trips
- Class ring
- Senior pictures
- Graduation expenses

*Thanks to the Friends Program, Sara was able to get funding to buy a dress for her senior prom.*



Items NOT covered by the Friends Program include:

- Medical expenses
- Birthday or holiday gifts
- Basic clothing
- Furniture
- Electronics (such as iPods, video game consoles, cell phones, computers etc.)
- Funds for a car purchase

### How Do I Apply for a Friends Program Grant?

To be considered for a Friends grant, please complete an application and send it along with copies of receipts to the IFAPA office.

**NEW ADDRESS:** Some families/workers may still have copies of an old version of the Friends application (maroon & tan colors). Those applications have the old Friends address in Johnston, IA. The forwarding service is about to expire, so applications mailed to that address may be returned undeliverable. **ALL APPLICATIONS SHOULD NOW BE MAILED TO THE IFAPA OFFICE (6864 NE 14th St., Suite 5 - Ankeny, IA 50023).** The new application can be found at this link: [www.ifapa.org/support/Friends\\_of\\_Children\\_in\\_Foster\\_Care.asp](http://www.ifapa.org/support/Friends_of_Children_in_Foster_Care.asp).

