



Children's Services Council OF MARTIN COUNTY

FOSTER PARENT SUPPORT FUNDS POLICY AND INSTRUCTIONS

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Children's Services Council of Martin County's (CSCMC) Foster Parent Support Program is to provide funds to aid foster parents in enhancing the lives of the foster children in their care. These funds are not intended to augment the Foster Care Board Rate. Purchases should include items for which no other source of funds is available.

POLICY:

- Foster Parent Support Funds are available to all state-licensed foster parents residing in Martin County while providing care to Martin County foster children.
- Funds are subject to availability.
- Primary consideration shall be given to requests compatible with the needs and priorities of United for Families and the Children's Services Council of Martin County.
- Each request for funds is subject to the final approval of CSCMC staff.
- All appropriate backup documentation including proof of paid expenses must be submitted before reimbursement can be issued for approved funding requests.
- The CSCMC Foster Parent Support Program does not provide funds for capital improvements, rental assistance, utilities, private school tuition, and food costs.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- All requests are made directly to United For Families. United for Families forwards requests to CSCMC for funding consideration. CSCMC will notify United for Families of its funding decision.
- Contact: United For Families
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