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Note:
The deadline is September 15, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. for the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 that provides older youth who were in foster care or about to age out of foster care financial and other support.

Please see below for details on how to apply.

On March 22, 2021, the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) distributed an announcement about Fostering Futures Youth Social Media Campaign. The media campaign was targeted for youth, especially those who have already aged out of foster care and are under 27 years of age. The purpose of the information was to connect such youth with financial support as a result of the pandemic, through the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021.

As an update to this announcement, if a youth is between the ages of 18-27 (but not yet 27) and previously a teen in foster care, the youth may be eligible for financial support through the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021. Visit FosterMyFuture.com to learn more about the program or text/call (757) 298-3586 and give your name and reason for communicating. You may also email Gwen Castillo at gwendolyn.castillo@dss.virginia.gov.