



**Foster  
with US**



# Looking after you

**Fostering fees and  
allowances in Wales**

# We want you to know that you can afford to foster a child.

You'll get a weekly fee and allowances so that you can support yourself and the children living with you. This payment ranges from £264-£552 per week in Wales, depending on the child or young person in your care.

## Fees

We pay our foster carers a basic fee every week. There's also a specialist add-on payment for people looking after children with complex needs. This add-on is assessed by the service against a set of criteria. The payment you get will vary if you're fostering siblings.

The following fees are examples only.

**Basic weekly fee**

**£105 - £205**

**Typical weekly fee when caring for children with complex needs**

**£210 - £310**

## Allowances

We also pay a weekly allowance on top of your fee. This covers a child's toiletries, activities, travel, pocket money, mobile phone, clothes, etc. It also goes toward your household costs.

**Basic weekly allowance for a child or young person**

**£159 - £242**

Extra allowances and specialist add-on fees will be paid to cover other activities, like taking a child on holiday. We'll have a proper chat about fees and allowances when we meet you.

## Any questions?

**Get in touch: [fostering.wales@actionforchildren.org.uk](mailto:fostering.wales@actionforchildren.org.uk)**