### Purpose
To clarify the treatment of income intended for the care of a foster child when determining eligibility for participation in the CSFP.

### Definition
Foster child – a child who is living with a household but who remains the legal responsibility of the State.

### Background
For the purpose of determining income eligibility, a foster child is considered a household of one.

### Procedure
The income of a foster child is considered separately from the income of other members of the foster child’s place of residence. A foster child’s income includes payments made by a State, money earned from a job, funds provided by the child’s family or any other source of money that is intended for the personal use of that child. Personal uses may include clothing, school fees, and an allowance.

If funds are not specifically identified for the child’s personal use, income should be listed as (0) on the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) – Participant Application form.

### Contact
If you have any questions, please contact your Contract Manager.

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