



California Chafee Grant Program

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California Student Aid Commission
(CSAC)

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Overview

- Program available for youth “aging out” of foster care or emancipated from foster care
- Up to \$5,000 per academic year available
- Federal and State funds authorized to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS)
- California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) administers the program



Basic Eligibility Requirements

- Current or former foster youth under court dependency:
 - Anytime between their 16th and 18th birthday
- New applicants on July 1 of the award year must be:
 - At least 16
 - Not over 22
- Paid Chafee students can be renewed through their 23rd birthday



Basic Eligibility (continued)

- Must demonstrate financial need
 - Certified by the school
 - Award based on Unmet need
 - FAFSA and Need Analysis Report
 - Funds available up to the Cost of Education but
 - not to exceed \$5000
- California foster youth can use Chafee funds at colleges outside of California.
- Out-of-state residents who attend college in California are also eligible for Chafee.



Basic Eligibility (continued)

- Students are not required to:
 - Have a Social Security Number (SSN)
 - Meet Selective Service requirements
 - Be clear of loan default or grant overaward
 - Meet Ability to Benefit (ATB) requirements
 - Be a CA resident or go to a CA school



Basic Eligibility (continued)

- **College or vocational school**
 - **Participates in Federal Pell Grant Program**
 - **Program length of at least one academic year**
 - **Minimum half-time enrollment**
 - **Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)**
- **Must demonstrate financial need**



Students without an SSN

- FAFSA cannot be processed by federal processor
- School must collect paper FAFSA and perform hand calculation of EFC
- School will use EFC to calculate student's need
- CSAC will assign CSAC ID



Priority Selection Criteria

- Selection criteria for new Chafee Grant awards are awarded as follows:
 - Priority 1: Renewal students who have received a payment in a prior year
 - Priority 2: New students who are aging out of the program
 - Priority 3: New students with dependents
 - Priority 4: New students who had an unmet need of \$5,000 or higher
 - All priorities are ranked in order of application submission date



Application Components

1. Student completes the Chafee Grant Program Application
2. Student files a FAFSA
3. CDSS confirms court dependent foster youth eligibility



Chafee Application Completion

- As application steps are completed:
 - WebGrants (school access)
 - Chafee Application Status Screen
 - Chafee Download Reports - Status Roster by School
 - Application status (student access)
 - Interactive Voice Response (IVR)
 - WebGrants for Students – Application Status Screen

<https://mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov>

- ◆ [Chafee Grant application online](#)
- ◆ [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA)

If you prefer, you may print and submit the paper version of the [Chafee Grant Application \(paper version\)](#) and complete the paper FAFSA. You can download the FAFSA at federalstudentaid.ed.gov or call toll free 800-433-3243 to have one mailed to you. (If you don't have a Social Security number or are an undocumented student, contact the Commission for assistance.)

To learn more, read the [Chafee Grant Fact Sheet](#) or contact your high school counselor, college's financial aid office, county or college Independent Living Coordinator, One-Stop Career Center, social worker or probation officer. If you've applied for a Chafee Grant, go to [WebGrants for Students](#) to check on the status of your application.

Already have a Chafee Grant? Your Chafee Grant may be renewed through your 23rd birthday. To renew your grant, you'll need to complete the FAFSA but you don't need to submit another Chafee Grant application. If you have moved, changed your name or transferred to another school, please call the Commission toll free at 888-224-7268 or complete the [Chafee Grant Update and Change Form](#) and mail it to the Commission:

California Student Aid Commission
Specialized Programs Operations Branch
California Chafee Grant Program
P.O. Box 419029
Rancho Cordova, CA 95741-9029
Telephone 888-224-7268

The Chafee Grant is federally and state funded and is subject to the availability of funds each year.

Additional Chafee Grant materials:

- ◆ [Foster Care Eligibility Form](#)
- ◆ [More Ways to Pay for College Fact Sheet](#)

Student Application

- ◆ The following information is needed so that your application may be considered for the foster youth California Grant Program.
- ◆ The California Chafee Grant Program gives free money to current or former foster youth to use for vocational school training or college courses.
- ◆ To qualify, you must be a current or former foster youth, must have established court dependency at anytime between the ages of 16 and 18, and must not have reached your 22nd birthday as of July 1st of the award year.
- ◆ KinGap youth, adopted youth, guardian placement, and voluntary placement may not be eligible for the Chafee Grant, unless court dependence was established, at anytime, between the ages of 16 and 18.
- ◆ The California Department of Social Services will determine your foster youth eligibility status.
- ◆ Students: To check your Chafee Grant status you can go online to [WebGrants for Students](#).

If you are an undocumented student, please select the box:

All fields marked "*" are 'Required'

SSN:*		<input type="text"/>			
Last Name:*		<input type="text"/>		First Name:*	
Address:*		<input type="text"/>		MI: <input type="text"/>	
City:*		<input type="text"/>		Home Phone:	
State:*		<input type="text"/>		(<input type="text"/>) <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>	
Zip:*		<input type="text"/>		Work Phone:	
- <input type="text"/>		Email: <input type="text"/>		(<input type="text"/>) <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>	
Alternate Email: <input type="text"/>		Date of Birth: (MM/DD/YYYY)*		<input type="text"/>	
Replace any prior address? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Foster Care County: *		--- Select County --- <input type="text"/>	
		School of Attendance: *		--- Select School --- <input type="text"/>	

Which application do you want to file ?

** An Academic Year runs from July 1st thru June 30th **

Academic Year:*

--- Select Year ---



Chafee Application Completion

- After the initial application steps:
 - Access Status Roster by School report on Report Download screen in WebGrants
- School can view students application status in WebGrants
 - status complete with a green check
 - Incomplete or missing information will be displayed in red with a blank box



Chafee Grant and WebGrants

- Select ***Chafee Grant*** from the “Home” Menu
- View Chafee ***Application Status***
- Report ***Financial Need***
- Select ***Data Transfer*** and ***Report Download***
 - Status Roster by School
 - Need Analysis report

<https://webgrants.csac.ca.gov>



Welcome!

[Help With Your Account](#)

Please sign in

Please enter your user name, password.

Authorized Use Only

User Name	<input type="text"/>
Password	<input type="password"/>
	<input type="button" value="Sign-in"/>

Need to create an account?

◆ **For a School Administrator Account:**

Please call 1-916-526-8989 or 1-888-294-0148
or [E-mail CSAC Support](#)

◆ **For a User Account:**

Contact your School Administrator

◆ **For Browser Versions or Monitor Screen Area Settings:**

[Help With Your Account](#)

◆ **Apple/Mac Computers:**

Results may be unpredictable

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Welcome! To the WebGrants System

Please contact your School's System Administrator if you need access to additional screens.

Options	Account Information
<ul style="list-style-type: none">GPAStudent InfoSchool InfoRoster/ReconciliationData TransferChafee Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none">View Your Account DetailsHelp With Your Account

Chafee Grant



Chafee Grant Main

- ◆ [Financial Need Analysis](#)
- ◆ [Application Status](#)



Application Status Screen

Application Status

- ♦ Select either SSN or Student ID Number and then enter the number and click Go. The status for the Chafee Grant Program applicant will be displayed.
- ♦ Missing Chafee Grant Program information will be displayed in red.

Student ID = Acad Year =

Application Status

Chafee Grant Application

Date App Received:

Status: Paid Renewal

Department of Social Services Record

Date ILP Received:

County:

2010-2011 FAFSA

Date FAFSA Received:

Dependent: Yes No

Financial Need Analysis

2010-2011 Chafee Award

Add Correspondence Record

Print Date **Received Date** **School Code** **Comment**

Chafee Status Roster by School

Report Download for

- ▶ To download or display a report or data file click on the Retrieve File button.
- ▶ All data columns can be sorted either ascending or descending order by clicking on the blue column headings.
- ▶ To compare two roster files, select Grant Roster for Report and Data File for Media Type.
- ▶ To delete uploded Audit Files, select Audit File for Report and the Delete checkbox column will appear.

School ID = Acad Year = 2010-2011 Month = All
Report = Chafee Status Roster By School Media Type = All 

Report Date <input type="button" value="v"/>	Description	Media Type	Month	
10-JAN-11	Chafee Status Roster By School	Report	JAN	<input type="button" value="Retrieve File"/>
03-JAN-11	Chafee Status Roster By School	Report	JAN	<input type="button" value="Retrieve File"/>
27-DEC-10	Chafee Status Roster By School	Report	DEC	<input type="button" value="Retrieve File"/>
20-DEC-10	Chafee Status Roster By School	Report	DEC	<input type="button" value="Retrieve File"/>

Chafee Status Roster by School

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CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION
CHAFEE STATUS ROSTER BY SCHOOL
ACADEMIC YEAR 2010

PAGE: 1
RUN DATE: 01/10/11
RUN TIME: 17:57:28

SCHOOL CODE:

COLLEGE NAME:

The California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) has provided a listing of each student that has applied for a Chafee Grant and has selected your school for attendance.

Please make every effort to check the WebGrants Data Transfer Report Download Screen for your updated Chafee Status Rosters every Tuesday.

SSN CSAC ID NAME DOB APP CDSS FAFSA FNAR Awded



Determining Financial Need

- **Financial Needs Analysis Report (NAR) available**
 - WebGrants – Chafee Financial Need Screen
 - Out-of-State schools use paper NAR
- **School reports on NAR**
 - Eligible payment terms
 - Total Cost of Attendance
 - Expected awards
 - Unmet need
 - Expected graduation date
 - School contact information

Unmet Need Formula for Chafee Grant Recipients

$$\frac{\text{Cost of Attendance} - \text{Expected Family Contribution}}{\text{Financial Need}} - \frac{\text{Other Financial Aid}^*}{\text{Unmet Need}}$$

***Other financial aid may contain Pell Grant, SEOG, Cal Grant, Scholarships, loans or work-study as confirmed by college.**

Chafee Need Analysis Report

Report Download for

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Chafee Need Analysis Roster by School

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BATCH DATE: 01/10/2011

CHAFEE NEED ANALYSIS ROSTER BY SCHOOL

RUN DATE: 01/10/2011

ACADEMIC YEAR 2010

RUN TIME: 17:57:35

UNIV OF CA - RIVE1

INSTITUTION CODE: 00131600

The students listed below have applied for a California Chafee Grant. In order to determine the student's award, please provide the required information via the Commission's Web-enabled delivery system. To update this information go to the CSAC WebGrants System and click on "Chafee Grant" and then click on "Financial Need Analysis Report". Instructions are provided on the Financial Need Analysis Report screen to assist you in completing these reports.

The Commission processes awards on a weekly basis (every Monday evening) and Need Analysis Reports identifying eligible students will be available every Tuesday. Please make every effort to check your WebGrants Data Transfer Report Download Screen for your updated Chafee Rosters.

CSAC ID

NAME

STATUS

DOB



Disbursement Information

- Check is sent to the school
 - Payable to the student, or
 - Co-payable to the student and school
- School certifies student eligibility
 - Enrollment status
 - Satisfactory Academic Progress
 - Financial eligibility



Disbursement Information

- Schools can disburse checks retroactively for terms of eligibility.
- Schools required to return checks due to ineligibility within 10 business days
- Checks have one year expiration dates.



Returning Funds

- All Chafee returned funds are used to award additional students
- Return checks if
 - Student no longer eligible or
 - student cannot be located
- Return funds to CSAC no later than 10 business days from receipt of check



Awarding and Disbursement

- School completes NAR:
 - Award based on Unmet need
 - up to the Cost of Education, not to exceed \$5000
- Chafee Claim Report is generated on weekly for schools to view
 - Award date displays the initial award processing date
 - Payment date displays the check issuance date



What if the student is already fully packaged?

- Schools can submit need for fully packaged students with the understanding that other non-grant aid may be reduced.
- Loans or work-study may be reduced to allow Chafee eligibility.
- Need based Scholarships and Grants should not be reduced if possible.

Chafee Grant Main

- ◆ [Financial Need Analysis](#)
- ◆ [Application Status](#)



Financial Need Screen

Institution Code	<input type="text"/>
Institution Name	<input type="text"/>
Student graduated or completed training program	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student not enrolled	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student has not been enrolled half-time	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student has an Incomplete Financial Aid Package	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student has not Maintained Satisfactory Progress	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you checked any of the preceding boxes, please sign below and submit.

Living Arrangements: On Campus Off Campus
 With Relatives

Expected Enrollment (minimum 1/2 time): Fall Winter
 Spring Summer

Tuition and Fees:	\$ 11021
Books and Supplies:	\$ 0
Personal:	0
Room and Board:	16183
Transportation:	0
Other:	0
Total Cost of Attendance:	27204

Expected Family Contribution: 0

I declare under penalty of the laws of the State of California and of the United States that this form has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is true, correct and complete.

I agree

Name of Financial Aid Official:

Title of Financial Aid Official:

Phone Number: () Ext:

E-mail Address:

Application Status Screen

Application Status

✓ Chafee Grant Application

Date App Received: 08/08/2007

Status: Paid Renewal

✓ Department of Social Services Record

Date ILP Received: 12/12/2007

County: SAN BERNARDINO

✓ 2010-2011 FAFSA

Date FAFSA Received: 01/13/2010

Dependent: N

✓ Financial Need Analysis

Submitted by:

Institution Code:

Financial Aid Official:

Title:

Phone Number:

E-mail Address:

Unmet Need: 10982

Date Submitted:

18-AUG-10

✓ 2010-2011 Chafee Award

Award Amount: 5000

Award Date: 24-AUG-10

Payment Amount: 2500

Payment Date: 10/18/2010 **Term:** FL

Payment Amount: 2500

Payment Date: 01/03/2011 **Term:** SP

Add Correspondence Record

Print Date	Received Date	School Code	Comment
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<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Submit Student Data Modifications

Reset

CALIFORNIA CHAFEE GRANT PROGRAM

FINANCIAL NEED ANALYSIS REPORT

ACADEMIC YEAR (AY) =

The following information is needed so an award amount can be determined for the Chafee Grant Program applicant. Awards will be available for eligible foster youth to pursue and/or continue postsecondary education and training goals.

Federal School Code (OPEID #): Program/Course Start Date = School Name: CSAC ID # or SSN: DOB: Last Name: First Name: MI: Student graduated or completed Training Program Student not enrolled Student has not been enrolled half-time Student has an Incomplete Financial Aid Package Student has not Maintained Satisfactory Progress

If you checked any of the preceding boxes, please sign below and fax to (916) 464-7977

Living Arrangements:

On Campus

Off Campus

With Relatives

Expected Enrollment (minimum 1/2 time):

Fall

Winter

Spring

Summer

AY Term:

Semester

Quarter

Cost of Attendance (COA):

Tuition and Fees: Books and Supplies: Personal: Room and Board: Transportation: Other: Total COA: Expected Family Contribution (EFC): Financial Need (Total COA - EFC):

Expected Award:

Pell Grant: SEOG: Cal Grant: Work Study: Loans: Tuition/
Fee Waiver: Other: Unmet Need Before Chafee: Chafee Grant Funds Received: Final Unmet Need: Educational Level:

Title IV eligible program?

Yes

No

Expected Graduation Date:

I declare under penalty of the law of the State of California and of the United States that this form has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is true, correct and complete.

Name of Financial Aid Official: _____ Title: _____ Signature: _____

Phone Number: _____ Ext: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

MAIL TO: PO BOX 419029 • RANCHO CORDOVA, CA 95741-9029 • FAX TO: (916) 464-7977 • FOR ASSISTANCE CALL: (888) 224-7268



Can Chafee be Renewed?

- Paid Chafee students can be renewed through their 23rd birthday.
- To renew:
 - Complete a FAFSA
 - Chafee Update and Change Form
 - Colleges submit 2011-12 NAR



2010-2011 Age Cutoff for eligibility

***New and *Non-Paid renewals**

Born before 07/01/88

***Students who have not received a Chafee payment.**

****Paid Renewals**

Born before 07/01/87

****Students who have received a Chafee payment.**



2011-2012 Age Cutoff for eligibility

***New and *Non-Paid renewals**

Born before 07/01/89

***Students who have not received a Chafee payment.**

****Paid Renewals**

Born before 07/01/88

****Students who have received a Chafee payment.**



Chafee Questions?

- Call (888) 294-0153
- Fax (916) 464-7977
- specialized@csac.ca.gov
- 8:00 to 4:55 Monday - Friday.

- **Chafee Grant program information and publications:**
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