CFS issues clothing allowances to Marin foster children on a quarterly basis - Jan/April/July/Oct. The payments are issued on the last business day of those months, so resource parents should expect the payment to arrive in the first few weeks of Feb/May/Aug/Nov.

**Note 1**: For initial placements, child must be in placement for 30 days prior to the month of issuance to receive an allowance. For example, if a child comes into placement in mid-December, a clothing allowance would not be available to that child until April because they had not been in foster care for a full 30 days prior to the January month of issuance.

**Note 2**: When FIRST entering care, Marin foster children are eligible for a one-time, emergency clothing allowance of \$81. This isn't an automatic payment; you need to ask your social worker to request it on your behalf. For example, If the child moves from his/her first foster home to your foster home, a 2nd emergency clothing allowance cannot be issued.

**Note 3**: Children placed in unapproved homes aren't eligible for any clothing allowances until the home has been RFA approved and certified. Retroactive payments aren't available.