

Alimony & Child Support

- **Amounts that have been awarded, but not received, may be excluded only when family has made reasonable efforts to collect amounts due**
 - **Including filing with courts or agencies responsible for enforcing payments**

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- **May accept**
 - **Printouts from the court or agency responsible for enforcing payments, or**
 - **Other evidence indicating the frequency and amount of support payments actually received**

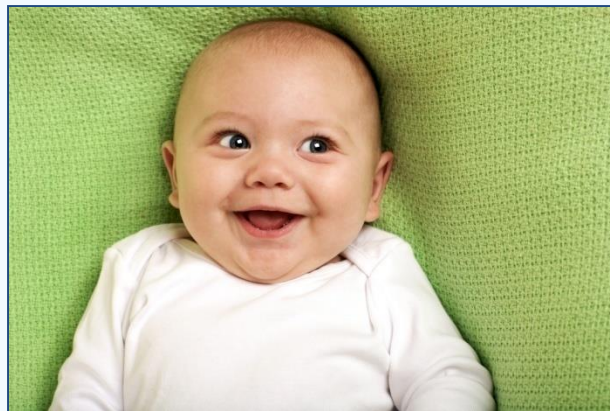


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- **Child support paid through child support enforcement/welfare may be included in monthly welfare check**
 - **Some states don't identify as separate from welfare**
 - **Determine which portion is child support**
 - **Don't count it twice**
 - **In other states, payment may be listed as child support or "pass-through" payments**
 - **Must count as income**

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- **When no documentation of child support, divorce, or separation is available, may require family sign a certification stating amount of child support received**



Income of Foster Children and Foster Adults

- **Earned income**
 - Excluded for foster children
 - Included for foster adults
- **Unearned income is included for both**
- **Payments received by the family for the care of foster children or foster adults are excluded**

Whose Income is Counted?

Member	Include Employment Income	Include Other Income (Including From Assets)
Head	Yes	Yes
Cohead	Yes	Yes
Spouse	Yes	Yes
Other Adult (Including Foster Adult)	Yes	Yes
Child Under 18	No	Yes
Student Over 18	Earned income over \$480 of a dependent who is a student and 18 years of age or older is excluded.	Yes
Foster Child Under 18	No	Yes
Live-In Aide	No	No



Foster Children and Foster Adults

- Counted when establishing unit size **and** family size for comparison to income limit