



Education and Training Voucher (ETV) Fact Sheet



What do I get?

Up to \$5,000 per school year!!

This can cover the following school-related expenses:

- tuition and fees
- room and board
- student loans
- books and school supplies
- transportation
- personal computer/supplies
- miscellaneous personal expenses
- health care expenses
- child care

How do I apply?

- You can get the application at:
 - Lutheran Social Services of Michigan: (877) 660-METV, or
 - On-line at:
 - www.mietv.lssm.org
- You must **also** apply for the FAFSA
 - www.fafsa.ed.gov

Verification of Court/State Ward Status forms for Financial Aid are available through your caseworker or by contacting the ETV office.

Am I eligible?

You are, if you meet the following requirements:

- ✓ were in foster care on or after your 14th birthday because of abuse/neglect and,
- ✓ **IF** adopted, were adopted from foster care on or after your 16th birthday
- ✓ have a high school diploma or GED
- ✓ attend, at least half-time, an *accredited* school that:
 - ◆ awards a Bachelor's degree or not less than a 2-year program that provides credit towards a degree,
 - ◆ provides no less than 1-year of training towards gainful employment, *or*
 - ◆ Is a vocational program that provides training for gainful employment and has been in existence for at least two years.

You must receive your first ETV prior to your 21st birthday. You are then eligible until your 23rd birthday, provided you receive at least a 2.0 GPA and do not have more than one incomplete or withdrawal per semester.

What is the Application Process?

- ❖ Applications will be processed on first come, first served basis. Only after **all** of your application materials have been turned in and processed, and you have completed an entrance interview, will you be awarded.
- ❖ Once the ETV office has received your application, you will be contacted by an ETV caseworker to schedule a face-to-face or phone interview. Therefore, if your contact information changes, you **must** notify the ETV office.
- ❖ Any money owed to the school for tuition or other costs will be sent directly to the school. Other checks will be written out to vendors, such as a landlord, car insurance company, or a store. These checks will be mailed to you and you will be responsible for paying the appropriate people and companies. You are also responsible for obtaining receipts for all ETV money spent and sending copies of them to the ETV office.
- ❖ Lutheran Social Services of Michigan reserves the right to contact the student's school to verify the youth's enrollment.



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