



## Help for Youth Aged 18-26

		INCOME	FOOD	HEALTH CARE	HOUSING AND UTILITIES
<b>NO DISABILITY</b>	<i>Living with parents (or relative)</i>	RI Works Cash: If youth will graduate before 19, family receives cash assistance through month of graduation	SNAP: Part of parents' household until turn 22  Food pantries and meal sites	Medicaid (Rite Care) until turn 19; parents' income counts. Parent's commercial insurance through age 26 Community health centers, Free Clinics Hospital charity care Pharmaceutical assistance	If family is living in public or subsidized housing, youth can continue to live there LIHEAP energy assistance if family is eligible
	<i>Living On Own/with others</i>	None	SNAP; Food pantries and meal sites	Same as above, except parents' income does <u>not</u> count for Medicaid (Rite Care)	No public or subsidized housing. LIHEAP energy assistance
<b>SERIOUS DISABILITY</b>	<i>Living with parents</i>	SSI-parents income is not counted	SNAP: Part of parents' household until turn 22  Food pantries and meal sites	<i>If receiving SSI:</i> automatically receive Medicaid (Rhody Health Partners) <i>If not receiving SSI:</i> can apply for Medicaid (RHP)	If family living in public or subsidized housing, youth can continue to live there. LIHEAP if family is eligible
	<i>Living On Own/with others</i>	SSI	SNAP Food pantries and meal sites	<i>If receiving SSI:</i> automatically receive Medicaid (Rhody Health Partners) <i>Not receiving SSI:</i> can apply for Medicaid (RHP)	LIHEAP energy assistance
<b>PREGNANT</b>		RI Works cash assistance from 6 <sup>th</sup> month of pregnancy	SNAP: (If living with parents, part of HH until turn 22)  Food pantries and meal sites	Medicaid (Rite Care) from verification of pregnancy	LIHEAP energy assistance
<b>AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE</b>		None	SNAP Food pantries and meal sites	Medicaid (Rite Care) until turn 26	No public or subsidized housing Help paying for housing if enrolled in YESS program LIHEAP energy assistance

YESS Program: "Young Adults Establishing Self Sufficiency": Voluntary program to help youth achieve "self sufficiency" by age 21. Includes limited case management support, help establishing a budget and self-sufficiency plan, help finding safe and affordable housing, and assistance with school enrollment and employment