

**WAC 388-826-0096 What must a client pay toward the cost of voluntary placement services in a child foster home?** (1) To receive voluntary placement services in a child foster home, a client must pay the provider a fixed monthly amount referred to as basic expenses, which must be outlined in a basic expense agreement.

(2) The written basic-expense agreement must include:

(a) Monthly amounts for rent, utilities, and food costs; and

(b) The day of the month the payment is due to the provider.

(3) The total monthly obligation in the basic-expense agreement must not exceed the client's available income minus the personal needs allowance under WAC 182-513-1105(5).

(4) Before the client moves into the child foster home, the basic-expense agreement must be:

(a) Signed by the client or the client's legal representative;

(b) Signed by the provider; and

(c) Sent to DDA.

(5) Changes to the basic-expense agreement must be reviewed by DDA before implementation.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 71A.12.030 and 74.13.350. WSR 20-02-101, § 388-826-0096, filed 12/31/19, effective 2/1/20.]