

Funding:

- FAFSA- Pell Grant
- AZ Tuition Waiver
- Education Training Voucher
- Arizona Friends of Foster Children
- GCU Fostering Futures Scholarship

## **Eligibility:**

#### Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Youth who were in foster care, adopted or going into permanent guardianship on or after their 13th birthday do not count parental income for determining college financial aid on FAFSA.

### **AZ Tuition Waiver**

Youth who were in foster care, adopted or going into permanent guardianship on or after their 14th birthday qualify for the AZ Tuition Waiver at AZ community colleges and the UofA, ASU and NAU.

### **Education & Training Voucher (ETV)**

Youth who were in foster care, adopted or going into permanent guardianship on or after their 16th birthday qualify for ETV, providing up to \$5,000 per year for post-secondary education based on need.

### **AZ Friends of Foster Children**

Youth who were in foster care in AZ and aged out of care at age 18 are eligible to apply for a scholarship.

### **GCU Fostering Futures Scholarship**

Youth must be an Arizona resident and U.S. Citizen/eligible non-resident. Must be in State care at 17 & enrolled in the Extended Foster Care (EFC) Program at 18 years old, and have an open case with EFC, or served through After Care Program (TILP) with eligibility for re-entry. Youth must live on campus while attending GCU to qualify.

# <u>Myth</u>: College is free because I was in foster care!

Fact: You have different funding opportunities to help you pay for college!



Do you need additional information?

DCS has two education specialists that will assist you.

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