



National Edition 24

Happy Holidays From iFoster!

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As the holiday cheer fills the air, we're thrilled to bring you a special holiday edition focused on the heart of our community: caring relationships. This season, let's celebrate the bonds that connect us and the support we share. May your holidays be filled with joy, love, and the warmth of community.

Resources for you

Celebrate the Holiday Season with Exclusive Savings from iFoster & Working Advantage



Welcome the holiday season with open arms and enjoy significant discounts on your festive shopping through iFoster and Working Advantage. With \$2 million dedicated to the iFoster community, your holiday purchases, from stylish clothing to perfect gifts, are more affordable than ever.

New iFoster Mental Health & Wellness Training Modules



Unlock your journey to emotional and physical well-being with iFoster's latest self-directed training modules! Our Mental Health and Wellness Training is designed to foster understanding, develop coping strategies, and encourage a holistic approach to wellness.

Each module is tailored for

Important FAFSA Deadline Update for Future College Students



Great news for students planning on college – the release date for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is set for on or before December 1st! This gives you ample time to prepare and ensure that you are in the best possible position to apply for financial aid.

Embrace this additional window to accurately gather all necessary

Congratulations to Angel E., the winner of our recent \$100 sweepstakes! As we celebrate this win, remember that the savings don't stop here. Continue to explore all the fantastic deals available through Working Advantage and make your holiday shopping joyful and economical. Happy holidays and happy savings!

flexibility and comprehensive learning. It includes quizzes and the opportunity for certification. Enhance your well-being in your own time and pace, right from the comfort of your home!

Embark on your path to a healthier mind and body with iFoster's Mental Health and Wellness Training today!

information and complete your application. Need guidance navigating the FAFSA process? iFoster is here to assist you every step of the way.

- For customized support and address any queries, [click here](#) to request one-on-one assistance with your application.
- If you prefer exploring at your own pace, click the button below to check out our self-learning module designed to aid you with FAFSA.

Holiday Savings

Step Into Our Modules

Learn More

Grocery Shopping Made Easier with SNAP/EBT Online



We understand that the holidays can be a stretch on budgets, and we want to ensure that every member of our community has access to nutritious meals and the joy of holiday feasting. We're pleased to announce that you can now order groceries online using SNAP/EBT benefits. This service, initially launched as a pilot program in 2019, has expanded across all 50 states and Washington DC, making it easier to stock up on holiday essentials and everyday needs from the comfort of your home.

To find a list of participating stores near you, click the button below.

Not on SNAP Yet?

If you or someone you know could benefit from SNAP but haven't applied yet, the holiday season is a great time to explore this option. Each state has its process for application, and you can find the contact information to get started by [clicking here](#).

FAQs to Ease Your Holiday Shopping

Is it secure to use my SNAP/EBT online? Absolutely. Your security is a top priority, and online EBT transactions are made secure through PIN entry and vendor compliance with strict security standards.

Can I use SNAP/EBT for delivery fees? No. Unfortunately, SNAP benefits can only be used for eligible food items. Delivery fees and other associated charges need to be covered separately.

How do I know if a store accepts SNAP/EBT online? You can easily find out by [clicking here](#) to search for participating stores in your state.

Does Instacart accept SNAP/EBT? Yes! Select stores nationwide now partner with Instacart to accept SNAP/EBT for online purchases, making holiday grocery shopping even more convenient. [Click here to learn more.](#)

This holiday season, let's cherish our relationships by sharing meals and making memories together. We hope this update brings a little extra joy and ease to your holiday preparations.

Wishing you a season filled with happiness, health, and hearty meals.

Learn More

Your'e Invited: iFoster's Virtual Gratitude Gathering



As the year winds down and we reflect on the moments that have shaped us, it's time to gather and share our gratitude. We're excited to invite you to a very special occasion that celebrates you, our incredible community, and the journey we've shared.

Gratitude Gathering Event Details

When: November 20, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM PST / 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM CST / 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM EST

Where: On ZOOM (Virtual)

Hosted by: iFoster TAY AmeriCorps Members

Our Gratitude Gathering is a virtual party designed to bring our vast iFoster community together. No matter where you are, you can join us in a space filled with warmth, laughter, and stories of gratitude. It's an opportunity to reconnect, share your experiences, and celebrate the resilience and strength of our community.

What to Expect:

Fun & Games: Yes, it's a party! Expect engaging activities and games that will leave you smiling and uplifted.
A Moment of Reflection: Together, we'll take a moment to reflect on what we're thankful for, fostering a spirit of gratitude.

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