

Family Support 2024 – 2025 Intake

The Tennessee Family Support Program is a grant program, totally funded with state dollars and administered through the Tennessee Department of Disability and Aging (TDDA). This program offers a small amount of financial support to help people (of all ages) **with a severe lifelong disability**, and their families to remain together in their homes and communities, while living as independently as possible. These services are flexible and responsive to the families and their needs.

PLEASE NOTE Individuals who are enrolled in the Katie Beckett Waiver, ECF Choices, DIDD Waiver, TennCare Choices or Pace programs are NOT eligible for the Family Support grant.

The 24-25 fiscal year runs from July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025.

- Due to limited funding, it's possible that some applicants who are considered eligible will not receive a grant for the 24-25 fiscal year.
- Applicants are not guaranteed to be awarded a grant, even if they have received one in previous years.
- If the applicant is approved to receive a grant, the amount is not guaranteed to be the same as a previous year.
- Selection must be open to every person applying each year, as if they have never applied before.
- Selection is based on priorities set by the local council, and applications are ranked according to these priorities.
- We strive to notify families of their application status as quickly as possible. Our guidelines, which are set by the state, declare we must notify applicants of their application status no later than Sept. 30th. (If you apply after this date, we'll notify you asap.)

Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Applications are not reviewed until ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS have been received in our office.

Assistance with Spanish interpretation is available.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

FOR EARLY CONSIDERATION DURING OUR OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD, PLEASE RETURN COMPLETE 24-25 INTAKE PACKETS BY MAY 30, 2024.

Sincerely,

Regina Wilson, Family Support Director
Family Support Program, Emory Valley Center

To apply for the 2024 – 2025 Family Support grant, you must submit the attached form **and all of these documents:**

- Proof of Disability** (Clearly stated diagnosis from a physician. For school-age children with an IEP – please provide a copy of their most recent, full IEP. For young children enrolled in TEIS – please provide their most recent IFSP.)
- Proof of Residency** (Current utility bill – water, gas, electric or internet that clearly shows the service address – even if services are not in your name)
- Proof of Citizenship** (Copy of legal birth certificate OR proof of qualified alien status/current USCIS documentation. We cannot accept the hospital souvenir or the mother’s copy) If the applicant has received the grant in previous years, we have this on file.
- Social Security Card** If the applicant has received the grant in previous years, we have this on file
- Proof of Custody** (If the applicant is not your biological child or if the child is adopted. If the child is adopted, all documents must have their adopted name on them). If the applicant has received the grant in previous years, we have this on file.
- Conservatorship** (If one is already in place). If the applicant has received the grant in previous years, we have this on file.
 - Any applicant 18 years old or older will be responsible for signing their paperwork, unless legal documentation is in place giving someone else permission to do so. We’ll need a copy of this legal documentation if someone other than the applicant will be completing paperwork.

These documents may be returned by mail, email, fax, or hand delivered to our office. (Please do not send them as screenshots taken from your phone)

Mail
Attn: Family Support
723 Emory Valley Rd.
Oak Ridge, TN 37830

Email
FS.Invoices@evcmail.org

We log intakes into our system in the order we receive them. Once your intake and all required documents are received and logged in, we’ll send an email (or a letter if you don’t have an email) letting you know everything has been received, and when you can expect to receive status of your grant application.

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