

Pocket Money & Birthday/Christmas Present Rates

Effective from 1 July 2025

Pocket Money per week	
Age	Rate
0	-
1	-
2	-
3	-
4	-
5	\$6.00
6	\$7.00
7	\$9.00
8	\$11.00
9	\$12.00
10	\$13.00
11	\$14.00
12	\$15.00
13	\$16.00
14	\$17.00
15	\$18.00
16 + *	-

* Young people aged 16 and above are eligible for Centrelink benefits of their own and should not require pocket money

	Birthday Present	Christmas Present
Age	Value	Value
0-5 years	\$78.00	\$78.00
6-17 years	\$126.00	\$126.00
18 years	\$248.00	\$248.00
18 year party **	\$435.00	N/A
Present to siblings*	\$60.00	\$60.00

*Present to siblings - *where this is assessed as being necessary, especially during reunification*

**Birthday parties for Young people in Family Based care are covered as per section 4.8.2 of the [Carer support payments family based procedure](#)