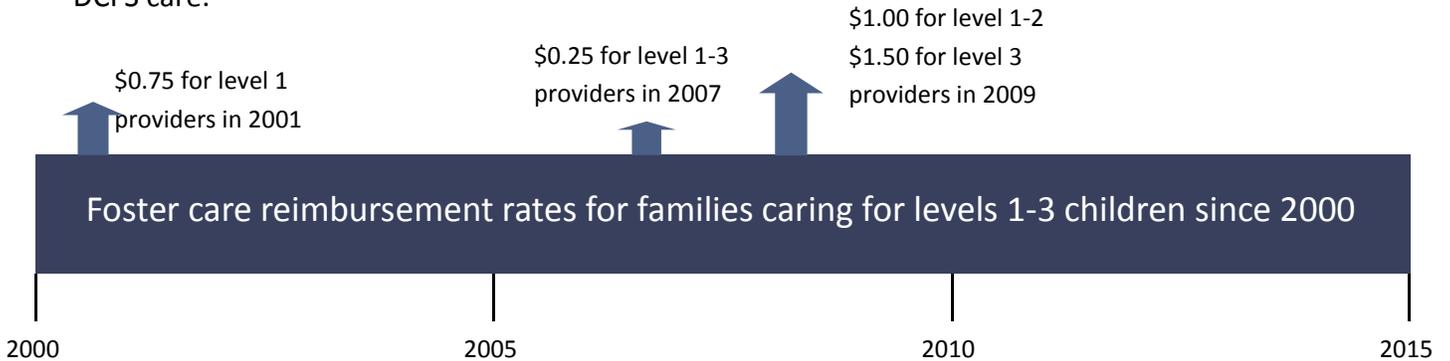


FOSTER FAMILIES OF UTAH

Foster families receive a reimbursement from the state for a *portion* of the cost of caring for children in DCFS care.



The last rate increase for foster parents was in FY 08. Rates were raised \$1 for what was the equivalent of Levels 1 & 2, and up \$1.50 for Level 3. Before that, it went up .25 for all levels from FY06-FY07, and before that it goes back to FY00-01 when it was raised .75 for only what was the equivalent of level 1 providers.

Proposed Reimbursement Increase

An appropriation of \$750,000 for foster parents who are licensed by and for the state (this proposal would not include private foster care providers) will increase the hourly foster parent rate by 6 cents. Or an average of less than \$2.00 per day.

Cost of caring for children	Reimbursement
Utah Childcare Worker	\$9.40/Hour
Cost to Raise a Child (USDA)	\$2.00/Hour
Current Foster Parent Reimbursement	\$1.20/Hour
Proposed Foster Parent Reimbursement	\$1.26/Hour

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