



STAGE 2: CREATE THE FUTURE MAP™ WORKSHEET NOTES FOR PARENTS

Annual Income

In this section, you want to indicate all of the income coming in that is used to support the child with special needs. For most parents with younger children (School Years and High School), all of the income should be listed under Family Income. For families with children over the age of 18 (Transition and beyond), Work and Benefits income may be applicable.

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| Work | Is the child bringing in any work income, including income from workshops? If so, this number should be listed as a gross number, before taxes and deductions. |
| Benefits | Is the child receiving any government benefits, i.e. SSI or SSDI? Do you plan to apply for benefits at a future date? |
| Family | Are you supporting your child? When your child is young, i.e. School Years, High School and Transition, family income is normally supporting 100% of the child's needs. |
| Other | Does the child receive income from a structured settlement, i.e. in a personal injury suit? If so, if the income is used to help support the individual, this income should be listed. In a divorce situation, child support should also be listed here. |

Annual Expenses

Don't be surprised if this section of the worksheet is difficult to complete, because for many families, it is. You need to think about all of the things that you pay for your child, and anticipate paying for, for years to come. These numbers are important because they help us help you plan for your child's financial needs.

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| Living | Housing, utilities (including long-distance phone and cell phone), home maintenance and repair, food, clothing, personal care and products, laundry and dry cleaning, transportation, child care/respite care, tax preparation (especially if there is a 1 st Party trust), guardian hearings and preparation work. |
| Medical | Doctor visits and prescription co-pays, deductibles, vision care and eye glasses, dental care and treatments, over-the-counter medicines (i.e. vitamins, cold medicine), etc. |
| Recreation | Gifts for holidays, weddings, birthdays, etc., Special Recreation centers and programs, vacations, restaurants, entertainment (i.e. movies, books, CDs, DVDs), computer and, outings (i.e. zoo, bowling, etc.) |
| Education | Transportation, school programs (i.e. field trips), gifts for teachers and staff, supplemental education materials and tutors |
| Work | Job coach, transportation, uniform, support materials |
| Taxes | Federal, state, real estate, FICA |

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