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Your submission for this review:

The cost of everyday living has gone up dramatically. Food, electricity, housing and more. The role of being an out of home carer is vital enough, there isn't enough carers to provide for the demand. As a carer we face so many challenges and stresses supporting our foster children through their trauma, their life experiences etc. Financial stress of how we provide for them, shouldn't be one of them. I didn't become a foster carer for the money, I wanted to ensure that my children were safe, loved and had a home to come home to till they are adults. As a new carer I constantly stressing of how I will meet the needs of things that my two children require from me. Payments for my children go in and is totally gone in a few days later. To support them I'm working part time to adjust the settle in process and to have time for all their appointments etc. That is required. However, working part time comes as a massive burden in meeting the financial needs of the whole household especially as a single person. I don't want to have to choose affording to pay my mortgage, over my vital role as a carer. I do believe the carer payment hasn't gone up for quite a few years but yet the financial burden for households has. Please support us so we can continue to support our most vulnerable to have the best that they truly deserve.