



## CRS Report for Congress: Child Welfare: Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (Ssi) Benefits for Children in Foster Care: April 27,

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Bibliogov, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Of the more than 400,000 children in foster care on a given day, as many as 24,000 (about 6 ) receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or other Social Security benefits. Some research suggests that a greater number of children in foster care might be eligible for SSI benefits if this assistance was sought. SSI benefits are available under Title XVI of the Social Security Act for certain disabled children from families with low incomes and minimal assets. Other Social Security benefits may be paid under Title II of the act to the children of workers who have retired, become disabled, or died. Federal regulations require that in most cases the Social Security Administration (SSA) select and assign a representative payee--an individual, organization, or government entity--that manages SSI and Social Security payments for children, including those in foster care. Nearly all states designated as the representative payee for a foster child use the child s benefits to support the child in foster care. In Washington State Department of Social and Health Services v. Guardianship Estate of Keffeler (hereafter Keffeler),...

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