LIST YOUR PRIORITIES

Below you can list items that you would need most;

- Television License paid in full to prevent getting into debt
- Air fryer
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WISH LIST

Below you can list items that you would really like that are not essentials such as:

- Television
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This guide was designed by young people to help care leavers understand why you get an allowance and what you can use your allowance for.
Within the guide there is also some helpful tips and advice.



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SETTING UP HOME

When you leave care and get your own tenancy you can ask your worker to access your setting up home allowance of up to £3000. This will be assessed by your worker, how this amount is paid may vary depending on your eligibility.



WHITE GOODS

It is always sensible to make a list of the goods you are wanting to purchase. Most importantly your white goods, these are items such as oven/cooker, fridge-freezer and washing machine as these are your key essentials. **Top Tip:** Before making any arrangements to buy items you should always check measurements in your home to fit your items (not all items are the same size) but most white goods are of a standard size. **Top Tip:** Always check if you any electric or gas point before you purchase a cooker.

FLOORING

Carpets and flooring are probably the most expensive things you may have to purchase in your home, depending on the type of property you have. If you have a fully furnished or part furnished property you may already have flooring. This needs to be a priority as you need flooring for many reasons and especially to keep your home insulated and warm, and also for comfort.

ESSENTIALS

Other essentials are items such as a bed, sofa and wardrobes/drawers.

Top Tip: always look for fire retardant labels.Beds are always to be purchased new, but others items can be purchased from charity shops or resettlement centres to save you money.

Top Tip: In your local area a lot of people advertise to sell furniture on social media sites such as facebook and its always beneficial to look around before making a commitment to buy.

KITCHEN ESSENTIALS

Below is a list of kitchen essentials you may need;

- Vacuum cleaner
- Microwave
- Toaster
- kettle
- Cutlery
- Utensils
- Can Opener
- Grater
- Tea Towels





SOFT FURNISHINGS

You will also need to buy items such as a duvet and pillows; duvet covers/pillow cases and sheets for your bed.

Curtains are another key item for your home, not only do they look nice but they are equally important for your privacy and warmth.

DECORATING

Keep decorating to a minimum until you are fully settled in.