

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

## How to use target savings within the framework of the *National Fund for Children* program: step-by-step instructions and results for 7 months of 2024

According to the *National Fund for Children* program, 50% of the investment income of the National Fund of the Republic of Kazakhstan is distributed once a year among children who are citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan, who were born in 2006 and later. In February 2024, based on the results of 2023, the first target requirements were accrued to all children in the UAPF, and citizens who reached 18 years of age in 2024 were credited with target savings (TS) on target savings accounts (TSA) and payments began to be made.

## The procedure for using TS for the purpose of improving housing conditions and/or paying for education is defined by:

- the Resolution of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated January 18, 2024 No. 16.
- Order of the Minister of Industry and Construction of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated February 26, 2024 No. 76 *On approval of the Rules for the use of payments of target savings from the unified accumulative pension fund for the purpose of improving housing conditions in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and*
- Joint order of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated February 7, 2024 No. 51 and the Minister of Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated February 12, 2024 No. 29 On approval of the Rules for the use of payments of target savings from the unified accumulative pension fund for the purpose of paying for education in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

The step-by-step algorithm of actions can be presented as follows:

- A child who has reached the age of 18 (recipient of the TS) or his legal representative can check the target savings independently in the personal account on the website enpf.kz, in the UAPF mobile application or on the egov.kz portal. For your information, we inform you that for the 2023 reporting year, all TS recipients were credited with 100.52 US dollars.
- The TS recipient (or his/her legal representative) **applies to the AO**, where he/she opens a bank account in US dollars in the name of the TS recipient, submits an online application for TS payment through the AO Internet resource.
- The AO, within 2 business days after reviewing and approving the application for payment, sends an **electronic notification** to the UAPF about the registered application for payment.
- UAPF, within 5 business days from the date of receipt of the electronic notification from the AO, transfers to it the amount of the TS payment specified in the



application for subsequent crediting to the bank account in US dollars of the TS recipient opened by the AO, or informs about the refusal indicating the reason.

- The TS recipient or his legal representative, within 45 business days from the date of receipt of the TS amount to the bank account, **provides the AO with documents** confirming the intended use of TS payments.
- Within 10 business days from the date the TS recipient provides the documents, the AO verifies them and **transfers TS payments** for their intended purpose.
- If the TS recipient (or his legal representative) fails to provide documents within 45 business days, the TS payment amount held by the AO is returned to the UAPF.

You can read the terms of the program, get instructions, and answers to your questions on the website kids.enpf.kz and on the БЖЗҚ ЕНПФ YouTube channel. We also note that a video instruction on the implementation of the *National Fund for Children* program, the algorithm of actions before and after the child reaches adulthood is posted on the БЖЗҚ ЕНПФ YouTube channel at the link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HHQNAxfskX8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HHQNAxfskX8</a>.

Let us note that for 7 months of program implementation, as of August 1, 2024, UAPF JSC executed (transferred to authorized operators for crediting to the bank accounts of applicants) **16,891** applications for a total amount of about USD**1.7 million**, of which for the purpose of **improvement housing conditions**, **9,544** applications were executed in the amount of about USD**956.7 thousand**, for **payment of education** - **7,347** applications in the amount of about USD**736.9 thousand**. In this case, the recipient of target savings has the right to use the entire amount or part of it, the remainder of the unused amount remains in the target savings account (TSA).

The most popular sub-goals for using funds for **home improvement** were: replenishment of a contribution to housing construction savings for further accumulation (9,189 applications were completed for a total of approximately USD921.2 thousand), acquisition of housing in ownership through civil law transactions (final settlement) - 115 applications for a total of over USD11.5 thousand, making a down payment to obtain a mortgage housing loan for the acquisition of housing - 99 applications for a total of USD9.9 thousand.

The most popular sub-goals in the context of **paying for education** were: payment for educational services of educational organizations located in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, in installments (for each academic period or academic year) or in full at one time (for the entire period of study) (5,884 applications were completed for an amount of more than USD 590.1 thousand), replenishment of an educational savings deposit under an agreement on an educational savings deposit (1,078 applications were completed for an amount of about USD108.2 thousand), payment for educational services of foreign educational organizations in installments (for each academic period or academic year) or in



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full at one time (for the entire period of study) (301 applications were completed for an amount of more than USD30.1 thousand).

Detailed information on payments of target savings for the purpose of improving housing conditions and (or) paying for education, broken down by authorized operators and regions, can be found on the website enpf.kz.

UAPF was founded on August 22, 2013 on the basis of GNPF APF JSC. The founder and shareholder of the UAPF is the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan represented by the State Institution Committee of State Property and Privatization of the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Trust management of UAPF pension assets is carried out by the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan. In accordance with the pension legislation, the UAPF attracts compulsory pension contributions, employer's compulsory pension contributions, compulsory occupational pension contributions, voluntary pension contributions, as well as carries out enrollment and accounting of voluntary pension contributions formed at the expense of the unclaimed amount of guaranteed compensation for the guaranteed deposit, transferred by the organization carrying out mandatory guarantee of deposits, in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On mandatory guarantee of deposits placed in second-tier banks of the Republic of Kazakhstan", ensures the implementation of pension benefits. The Fund also carries out accounting of target assets and target requirements, accounting and crediting of target savings (TS) to target savings accounts, payments of TS to their recipients in bank accounts, accounting for returns of TS in the manner determined by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan within the framework of the National Fund for Children program (More details at www.enpf.kz).