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Post Emancipation Services


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Requirements for Provision of Independent Living Services to Young
Adults Who Have Emancipated

Eligibility

Young adult that emancipated from foster care after turning age 18

- Has not yet turned age 21
- Requests services from the PCSA



§101:2-42-19 Requirements for the Provision of Independent Living Services to Youth In Custody

Final Transition Plan includes information that the youth will have the option to receive post-emancipation services.



Post-Emancipation Plan

Services and goals are based on the young adults strengths and needs

Mutual agreed upon plan between the young adult and the PCS

Clearly outlines responsibilities of both parties

Signed by both parties



Available Services

Academic support

Post-secondary educational support

Career Preparation

Employment program or vocational training

Budget and financial management

Housing, education and home management

Health education and risk prevention



Available Services

Mentoring

Supervised independent living

Room and board financial assistance

Education financial assistance



\$ Funding \$

John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program

John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFCIP) offers assistance to help current and former foster care youths achieve self-sufficiency. Grants are offered to States and Tribes who submit a plan to assist youth in a wide variety of areas designed to support a successful transition to adulthood.

5101:9-6-35 Chafee Allocation



\$ Funding \$

Ohio Education and Training Voucher Program (ETV) for Youth Aging out of Foster Care

This program makes available vouchers of up to \$5,000.00 per year per youth for post-secondary education and training for eligible youth.

www.fc2success.org



\$ Funding \$

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**Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
Independent Living Allocation
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(formerly known as Substitute House Bill 50)

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Edges: Federal Authorization

Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008

Offers states option

Title IV-E reimbursable foster care, adoption or guardianship assistance up to 19, 20 or 21

States with Fostering Connections Programs

<u>Outcome</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>States with Extended</u>
Enrolled in school	47%	70%
Earned diploma/GED	53%	60%
Adult Connections	85%	92%
Homelessness	27%	13%
Carcerated	31%	13%
Had a child	11%	9%



Challenges: The Opportunity

Not an extension of foster care

Extension of Title IV-E Benefits

Voluntary

State Administered

Request for Grant Agreement

Separate from Current Post-Emancipation supports

edges: Who is eligible?

- Ohio PCSA custody
- Eighteen or older at emancipation
- Care and Placement of ODJFS
- Must meet at least one of the program criteria

Agrees: Voluntary Participation Agreement (VPA)

A contract between the Young Adult and ODJFS

Includes each parties' responsibilities, but does not include specifics regarding the young adult's plan

A new VPA must be signed if the young adult leaves the program and then re-enters

degrees: Eligibility Criteria and Activities

secondary education or a program leading to an equivalent credential

Enrollment in school to receive high school Diploma

Enrollment in GED program

enrolled in an institution that provides post- secondary or vocational education;

Public or Private 4 year college or University

Community College

Vocational Programs

Technical schools



Edges: Eligibility Activities

participating in a program or activity designed to promote, or remove barriers to employment;

CCMEP

Job Corps

Job skills training

employed for at least eighty hours per month;

Regular Employment

AmeriCorps

Internship/Externship

incapable of doing any of the above activities due to a medical condition, which incapacity is supported by regularly updated information in the person's case record plan.



Options: Housing Options

- Host Homes
 - Kinship
 - Foster Home
- Independent Living Settings
- Shared Housing Settings
- College Dorms
- Apartment
- Congregate Care



Judges: Title IV-E Requirements

Monthly Visits

Two Separate Court Hearings

- Best Interest (within 180 days)
- Reasonable Efforts (repeat annually)

Individualized Plan

Judges: Development Activities

Internal OFC Workgroup

Statewide Advisory Committee

Judicial Workgroup

Youth Focus Groups

Networking with other states

Training Development

Website



Edges: Webinar Part 2

Follow-up webinar in August

- Announce grantees
- Discuss expectations of grantees
- Discuss importance of developing partnerships

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Title IV-E Program

<http://jfs.ohio.gov/ocf/index.stm>

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