

Mentor a young adult in your home.

Become a Bridges host home.

You might be familiar with what a foster parent does. But did you know there's a program that helps young adults transition from foster care? Bridges is a unique opportunity for you to mentor a young adult between the ages of 18-21 and help him or her make a smoother transition to independence from foster care.

Call 1-866-503-1895 to learn more.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Bridges?

Bridges is a voluntary program available to young adults who left foster care in Ohio at ages 18-20 and who are in school, working, participating in an employment program or have a medical condition preventing them from going to school or working. The program provides guidance and support as they transition to adulthood.

What is a Bridges host home?

Bridges helps young adults in the program find somewhere safe and affordable to live. They can choose from many different housing options. Host homes are a housing option where a supportive adult agrees to provide safe and stable housing to a young adult in their home.

What does it mean to be a Bridges host home?

There are 2 types of host homes:

- **In-Home:** A supportive adult allows a Bridges participant age 18-21 to stay in their home and provide safe and stable housing.
- **Supportive In-Home:** A supportive adult allows a Bridges participant age 18-21 to stay in their home and provide safe and stable housing. They also agree to take an active role in teaching the young adult crucial life skills.

Is there compensation for being a Bridges host home?

It varies depending on host home type.