

# COLORADO'S FOSTER YOUTH IN TRANSITION PROGRAM (FYTP)



**FYTP IS A WAY FOR  
YOU TO MAKE  
IMPORTANT  
DECISIONS ABOUT  
YOUR LIFE.**

If you qualify for the FYTP, you have the chance to make decisions for yourself and receive services and supports as you transition into adulthood. Visit our website to learn more.

[coloradochildrep.org/youth](https://coloradochildrep.org/youth)



# SOME SERVICES & SUPPORTS AVAILABLE TO YOU IN THE FYTP



Getting a driver's license or state ID



Getting information about relatives and siblings



Reaching your educational goals



Getting your criminal records erased



Getting safe, affordable, and stable housing



Getting a job and/or financial support



Getting Special Immigrant Juvenile Status



Enrolling in Medicaid (health insurance) and other benefits



Finding important documents and records

# COLORADO FOSTER YOUTH IN TRANSITION PROGRAM

An opportunity to make important decisions about **YOUR** life and receive the services and support **YOU** need.



**You have choices and rights if you qualify for the program and decide to participate...**

You decide if you want to participate in the program, and when you want to stop.

You choose services and supports based on what you want and need. You can change your mind if they're not the right fit.

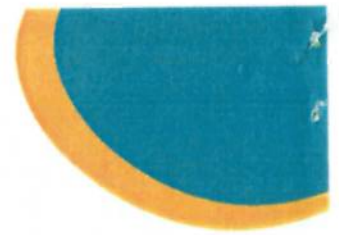
You'll get an attorney to represent what you want to happen. Your attorney is your advocate.

You keep your adult rights, like deciding medical care, signing contracts, and keeping accounts with banks.

You choose housing options approved by the Department of Human Services or the court. This includes independent living, host homes, or foster homes.

Your parents are not parties in your FYTP case, which means they are not automatically involved.

# HOW DO I QUALIFY FOR THE FYTP?



QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROGRAM OR IF YOU QUALIFY?  
CONTACT THE OCR!

## AGE

You must be at least 18 but not yet 21 years old.

## AGREEMENT

You must be willing to sign a Voluntary Services Agreement (VSA - an agreement explaining what you and DHS will do).

OR

You have already signed a VSA and are following most of it.

## EMPLOYMENT/ EDUCATION

You are doing or intend to do at least one of the following:

- completing high school or a GED,
- attending a college or university,
- working at least 80 hours a month,
- participating in a program to help get a job,
- unable to do the above due to a medical condition.

## CASE / CARE

You must have a Dependency and Neglect (D&N) case now or you had a D&N case when you turned 18.

OR

On or after your 16th birthday, you were living in foster care or non-certified kinship care and a court found you dependent and neglected.



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## LEARN MORE

To learn more, contact your DHS caseworker, GAL, Counsel for Youth, or DHS where you live.

You can also email [info@coloradochildrep.org](mailto:info@coloradochildrep.org) or call (303)860-1517. OCR will respond as soon as possible to chat with you, and/or get an attorney to represent you!