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Positive Youth Development, Trauma-Informed Care, Cultural Competence, Person-Centered Care & Strengths-Based Family Services

Foundational Services Available Throughout the Entire System

Prevention Services
Early & Crisis Intervention Services
Long-Term Services
Aftercare Services

In-home care
Counseling, activity groups & substance use prevention to keep youth with family of choice.

In-school education
Support & re-engagement for students; elementary, high school & postsecondary instruction; GED & technical programs; assistance and support for students with disabilities and/or mental health concerns; ESL classes.

Immigrant youth support services
Language access services; integration support programs; representation for immigration cases; support for unaccompanied minors; free or low-cost medical care for immigrant youth without insurance.

Legal services
Direct representation for civil law, family law, criminal record relief, assistance obtaining ID, civil cases & protective orders, obtaining crime victims compensation, and reuniting with family of choice in U.S. or overseas.

Case management
Planning & goal-setting exercises; care coordination; advocacy & referrals to additional services.

Time-limited rental assistance (transitional aged youth)
Short-term rental assistance to either prevent youth or young parent families from losing current shelter, or to facilitate quick return to stable housing.

Crisis intervention programs (minors & transitional aged youth)
Temporary housing with basic needs provision & youth-appropriate services (i.e., Basic Center Program for minors & emergency shelter programs for transitional aged youth).

Host-family home (minors & transitional aged youth)
External family provides youth with safe & stable housing on a temporary basis.

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Strengths-Based Family Services
Cultural Competence, Person-Centered Care & Positive Youth Development, Trauma-Informed Care, implemented according to the following principles:

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Throughout the Entire System

AND YOUNG ADULTS EXPERIENCING HUMAN TRAFFICKING OF YOUTH

PROPOSED SYSTEM TO ADDRESS

Aftercare Services
Long-Term Services
Early & Crisis Intervention Services
Prevention Services

Foundational Services Available

Longer-Term Housing
Early & Crisis Intervention Housing
Prevention Housing

Key

Support services or housing models that belong to one stage are identified by one color.
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Stable housing
Safe, stable & developmentally appropriate housing with access to supportive services as necessary.

Safety
Low risk of re-trafficking, resolution of legal cases or claims, safety plan established.

Permanent connections
Healthy attachments to peers, mentors, family of choice & other caring adults.

Education, training & employment
Employability through supported academic success, development of workplace skills & connections to employers.

Health & social/emotional well-being
Physical health; ability to create & maintain positive relationships with others, solve problems, experience empathy & manage emotions.

Workforce development
Skills training, employment assistance, internships, career planning & other professional preparation, including for youth with disabilities and/or mental health concerns.

Medical care
Doctor appointments & checkups; substance use services & other treatments; mental health care; nutritional care; and suicide prevention & emotional support.

Mental health care
Individual & group counseling; suicide prevention & emotional wellness.

Support services for family of choice
Counseling for family of choice: parenting assistance & affordable/accessible childcare for young parent families of choice.

School-based services
Adequately trained and resourced McKinney Vento homeless liaisons; case management; health care; sexual health education & student support communities (i.e., Gay/Straight Alliances); assistance and support for students with disabilities and/or mental health concerns; ESL classes.

Postsecondary education
Financial aid; priority for work study; tuition waivers; priority for housing; housing during academic breaks; single points of contact & campus support services (i.e., food, health & counseling); specialized guidance and funding options for undocumented students.

Core Outcomes to Measure Success

Nurturing permanent connections
Family reunification, kinship care placements, legal guardianships & supportive services to build long-term relationships with caring adults.

Follow-up
Periodic contact with youth & family of choice to determine progress & provide additional services or referrals.

Post-exit community outreach
Opportunities for youth to re-engage with needed services at any given time.

Extended rental assistance (transitional aged youth)
Full to partial rental assistance, basic life needs provision & supportive services while youth pursues education or vocational training.

Permanent supportive housing (transitional aged youth)
Non-time-limited accommodations & supportive services or youth with significant needs.

Permanent affordable housing (transitional aged youth)
Long-term, deed-restricted rental housing for very low income youth.