

### **Services Provided**

Choices THP-Plus offers the Host Home and Scattered Site Models.

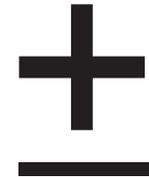
Host Home Model – Participants live with a Host family, who has been screened and certified by Covenant, for up to 24 months. Participants receive a rental subsidy, living allowance, and individualized case management services to assist them with achieving educational, employment, and life skill goals.

Scattered Sites Model – Participants obtain and live in their own apartment for up to 24 months. Participants receive a rental subsidy, living allowance, and individualized case management services to assist them with achieving educational, employment, and life skills goals.

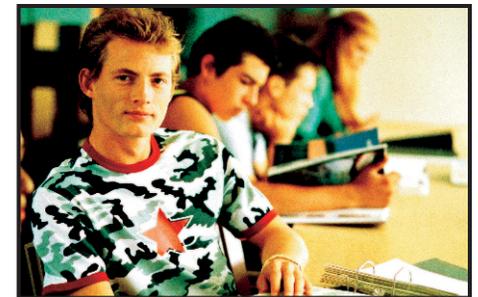
### **Benefits of Participating in THP-Plus**

- ◇ \$900 monthly subsidy to assist with paying rent and other living costs.
- ◇ Case Management Services - will work with participants towards educational, employment, and life skills goals.
- ◇ Emancipated Youth Fund (EYF) - Participants will pay into a savings upon completion of the program.
- ◇ Safe, stable, and affordable housing
- ◇ Various Supportive services such as: education assistance, counseling, employment support and training, and mental health services.
- ◇ Networking
- ◇ Independent living

# **Choices Transitional Housing Program**



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## What is THP-Plus?

THP-Plus is a transitional housing program opportunity for young adults who exited from foster care (including those supervised by probation) on or after their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and are not yet 24 years of age (25 in counties that have opted to extend services per SB 1252). These are youth whose dependency jurisdiction, delinquency jurisdiction, or transition jurisdiction was terminated by the court pursuant to section 391, 607.2, or 452, respectively, of the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC).

## About the Program

The Kern County Department of Human Services has contracted with Covenant Community Services Inc. (Covenant) to administer Kern's THP-Plus Program. The Choices THP-Plus Program can accommodate up to 50 participants, and allows participants the opportunity for safe, secure housing while they develop and obtain necessary education, employment, and life skills needed for independent living.

## Eligibility and Participation Requirements

### Participant Eligibility

- ◇ Eligible youth are those who exited foster care at or after age 18.
- ◇ Time and age limits for THP-Plus participation are 24 accumulative months and/or age 24.

### Participant Requirements

- ◇ As a condition of participation, youth must be actively pursuing the goals of their TILP, which is reviewed annually.
- ◇ Any changes to the conditions in the TILP must be reported to the ILP coordinator by the participant, including but not limited to changes in address, living circumstances, and educational training.
- ◇ Youth receiving services beyond 24 months or beyond their 24<sup>th</sup> birthday, in a county that has opted to extend services, must be completing secondary education or be enrolled in a post-secondary institution.

## Application Process

To be considered for admission, applicants need to complete a Transitional Housing Application, obtained from the Independent Living Program. Please return your completed application to the

Transitional Housing Coordinator or  
ILP Supervisor  
Dream Center Collaborative Office  
1807 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Bakersfield, CA  
(661) 636-4900 or

ILP Social Worker of the Day  
Dream Center Main Office  
1801 19<sup>th</sup> Street, Bakersfield, CA  
(661) 636-4488.

Once your application has been received by Covenant Community Services Inc., you will be placed on an eligibility list. You may contact Covenant at (661) 829-6999 to get your waiting status.

Applicants chosen for placement in the program will be contacted by Covenant for an interview.

