

## **HOUSING OPTIONS FOR AB12 YOUTH (NMDs)**

**Important:** *If you turn 18 years old in a Foster Home (RFA/FFA), NMDs can stay in their current placement with approval of the agency and caretaker.*

**Group Home** (now known as Short Term Residential Treatment Program – **STRTP**) – youth may stay through their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday if in high school and/or until they graduate if needed.

### **THPP NMD (formerly known as THP+FC)**

- ~ Transitional Housing Placement Program – Non-Minor Dependent
- ~ THPP NMD is a program for youth serving the ages of 18-21.
- ~ Youth can remain in THPP NMD from ages 18-21, as long as they are AB12 eligible.
- ~ There are three THPP NMD providers in Kern County

#### **1. AspiraNet (Victoria McClain, [vmcclain@aspiranet.org](mailto:vmcclain@aspiranet.org))**

- ~ AspiraNet receives participants AB12 funding and pays the participants rent.
- ~ AspiraNet gives participants biweekly stipend.
- ~ This program is a roommate model with one other NMD.
- ~ NMD is responsible for half of the PG & E (electricity).
- ~ If the NMD has a child(ren), the infant supplement goes directly to participant.
- ~ NMDs with child(ren) can also request to be placed without a roommate.
- ~ NMD will have a life coach (case manager) to help with independent living.
- ~ AspiraNet has a Job Specialist available for those wanting to work.
- ~ Monthly Parenting Classes available.

#### **2. Victory (Petra Gil-Vigie, [petra@victoryfs.org](mailto:petra@victoryfs.org))**

- ~ Victory receives participants AB12 funding and pays the participants rent.
- ~ Victory gives participants biweekly stipend.
- ~ This program is a roommate model with one other NMD.
- ~ NMD is responsible for half of the PG & E (electricity).
- ~ If the NMD has a child(ren), the infant supplement goes directly to participant.
- ~ NMDs with child(ren) can also request to be placed without a roommate.
- ~ NMD will have a life coach (case manager) to help with independent living.

### **3. EA Family Services (placements@ea.org)**

- ~ This is a single-occupancy model. There are no roommates.
- ~ The current EA housing option for Kern County is in a **hotel**.
- ~ EA receives participants AB12 funding and pays the participants rent.
- ~ EA gives participants biweekly stipend.
- ~ The electricity is currently included with the cost. There is no additional PG&E bill.
- ~ If the NMD has a child(ren), the infant supplement goes directly to participant.
- ~ NMD will have an on-site life coach (case manager) to help with independent living.

### **Building Blocks (Covenant) (NMDs and Emancipated)**

- ~ Building Blocks is an 18-month program serving the ages of 18-21.
- ~ Participants can be AB12 eligible or emancipated youth.
- ~ Covenant has on-site case management services for their participants.
- ~ Participants meet monthly for training.
- ~ ILP SSW inspects the housing units weekly.
- ~ Base rent is \$50.00 if participant only receives AB12 funding.
- ~ If emancipated, the rent is based on a number of criteria.

### **Supervised Independent Living Placement (SILP)**

- ~ Participants receive their AB12 funding (LOC1).
- ~ Participants locate their own housing (i.e. roommate, renting a room, etc.)
- ~ Housing is inspected by social worker for approval
- ~ If housing is approved then AB12 stipend will be started.
- ~ If housing not approved, participant will need to find different housing.
- ~ Participant meets with a social worker once a month (requirement of AB12)

### **THP-Plus (Covenant) – For Emancipated Youth ONLY**

- ~ THP Plus is a 2-3 year program serving the ages of 18-24.
- ~ Participants have to be emancipated
- ~ Monthly stipend for participants is \$1,000 per month.
- ~ Participants pay into an Emancipated Youth Fund (EYF) on a monthly basis.
- ~ Participant is able to borrow from EYF fund.
- ~ At the end of the two year program the participant will receive all monies from the EYF.
- ~ Participants meet monthly with a case manager and attend training per month.
- ~ Must be employed to qualify for this program.

***Dream Center is linked with housing navigation and can refer youth to low barrier or congregate shelters.***