

# AOI Community Collaboration Model

A Network to Support Youth Aging Out of Foster Care

## Services/Activities



GOALS



EMOTIONAL  
& MENTAL  
WELLNESS



EDUCATION  
SUPPORT



CHILD  
WELFARE  
SUPPORT



ADVOCACY



Pregnancy &  
Parenting  
Support



Chosen  
Family  
Connections



COACHING



GUIDANCE &  
MENTORING



PHYSICAL  
WELLNESS



TRAINING



Housing  
Support



Employment  
Support



## Community Partners



Housing  
Providers



Mental Health  
Organizations



Churches



Healthcare  
Providers



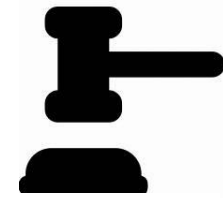
Financial  
Institutions



Library



Company  
Local  
Businesses/  
Donors



Courts &  
Law Firms



United Way &  
Other Resource  
Hubs



Youth  
Advocate  
Organizations



Education  
Institutions



Workforce  
Development  
Agencies



Employers



Police &  
Emergency  
Responders



FOOD  
BANK



Pregnancy &  
Parenting  
Organizations



CASA  
ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN



Enrichment  
Partners



Child Welfare  
Agencies



Politicians &  
Government  
Agencies



#### TRAINING

Ensure trainers and support roles in the community understand this age group and particularly young adults who have experienced this kind of trauma. Provide training for support roles on youth needs and services.



#### GUIDANCE MENTORING

Ensure mentors are trained – either internal or in the community – to understand this age group and particularly young adults who have experienced this kind of trauma.



#### Housing Providers

Housing providers would include landlords, transitional housing programs, supportive housing programs, real estate agencies, affordable housing programs, hotels, campus housing programs, etc.



#### Mental Health Organizations

Mental health organizations offer mental and emotional health services, counseling, substance abuse support, and/or developmental resources.



#### EDUCATION SUPPORT

Education support includes helping youth achieve their high school diploma, high school equivalency, college, or vocational school or certification goals. This support could be provided by nonprofits that provide foster care transitional services.



#### Employment Support

Employment support includes employers, apprenticeships, and other on-the-job experiential learning opportunities through organizations like Gap Year Association.



ADVOCACY

Advocacy includes providing advocacy for youth and helping youth build self-advocacy skills.



Enrichment  
Partners

Enrichment partners include museums, art galleries, nature organizations or camps, parks and recreation facilities, zoos, aquariums, Audubon society, exercise facilities, and more. These can be on-site enrichment experiences, or they can be invited to provide information and/or training for youth.



Politicians &  
Government  
Agencies

Politicians and other government roles should be more active participants in the network supporting youth. Agencies such as the DMV and the Social Security Administration can help youth access necessary documentation.



Library

Public libraries can provide Wi-Fi, desktop computers, and reading options to build knowledge. They may also offer low cost or free space for learning experiences.