

Maximizing Housing Entitlements for Current and Former Foster Youth*

THP-NMD

(Transitional Housing Placement Program for Nonminor Dependents)

- **Ages:** 18-21
- **Duration:** No maximum duration so long as age requirements met
- **Status of Foster Care Case:**
CASE OPEN - Must be under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court as an NMD or ward, including NMDs under transition jurisdiction, or be under the placement and care authority of the county placing agency pursuant to a Voluntary Reentry Agreement

THP-Plus

(Transitional Housing Placement Program Plus)

- **Eligibility Ages:** 18-25; **Suggested Ages:** 21-24
- **Duration:** 36 months maximum [or until 25th birthday, whichever happens first]
- **Status of Foster Care Case:**
CASE CLOSED - Must have exited from the foster care system, including foster care through probation, on or after 18th birthday

FYI/FUP

(Foster Youth to Independence and Family Unification Program)

- **Eligibility Ages:** 18-25**; **Suggested Ages:** 24-27 (or 29 under FSS)**
- **Duration:** 36 months maximum, but could be extended 2 years through the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program
- **Status of Foster Care Case:**
CASE CLOSED - Must have left foster care, or will leave foster care within 90 days, in accordance with a transition plan and be homeless or at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older

*This chart shows how a youth may maximize their time using housing options available to current and former foster youth in California. However, each case requires an individual assessment. Please contact us for TA at info@ylc.org if you need help working through the nuances of a particular case.

** A youth must be <25 y/o at the time of Public Child Welfare Agency (PCWA) certification as FYI/FUP-eligible and also at the time of Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) contract execution. However, so long as the youth meets these criteria, the youth can use the voucher beyond the age of 25.