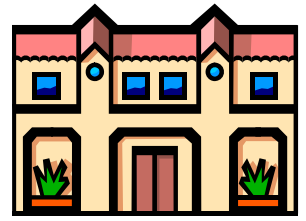


FACT SHEET



Los Angeles County
Department of Children and Family Services
Emancipation + Transitional Housing Placement Program

What Is the Transitional Housing Placement Program (THPP)?

The authority for the Transitional Housing Program is Assembly Bill (AB) 1198, (Chapter 799, Statutes of 1993). AB 1198 requires the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to develop the Transitional Housing Placement Pilot Program in three counties. AB 2774 extends CDSS' implementation of the THPP for community care facilities to every county.

In Los Angeles County, the Transitional Housing Placement Program is an innovative program which will further the goals of the federal Independent Living Program (ILP), serving as a bridge to ensure foster youth are properly trained, receive a high school diploma or its equivalent, and have affordable housing arrangements to integrate into the community when leaving the foster care system.

GOALS

- provide an intensified independent living program to ensure youth receive training and skills for prior to case termination
- assist youth to leave care with the skills and financial means to move towards independence

TARGET GROUP

- Youth 16 or 17 years old with an anticipated graduation date before their 19th birthday (Youth may be 18 if they satisfy the requirements of the [Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 11403](#))
- Youth working on their high school diploma or equivalent
- Youth doing well in school and current placement
- Responsible youth able to share an apartment or house
- Youth enrolled in the Independent Living Program and currently under the supervision of DCFS in out-of-home placement

LENGTH OF SERVICE

The average THPP youth will be housed in the THPP Program for one to two years. Follow up services will be provided.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

- Intensified Independent Living Skills and transitional living skills related to integrating into the community upon emancipation
- Furnished Apartment
- Paid Utilities
- Food, clothing and personal care allowances

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES (CONT'D)

- Assistance with adjustment to a new living situation
- Educational Assistance
- Life Skills
- Health and Safety
- Employment Training
- Transportation
- Apartment Living
- Recreation
- Socialization skills, values development
- Food preparation, balanced diet and special dietary needs
- Clothing Maintenance
- Case Plan and Case Plan Update
- Visitation by the assigned CSW
- Appropriate planning for housing after emancipation
- Alumni Services

REFERRALS

Referrals to the THPP Program will be accepted from:

Interested Youth ILP Coordinators Out-of-Home Care Providers Social Workers

Application packets are available through regional ILP Coordinators. The case carrying CSW is responsible for sending the application packet to Terence Rice at 3530 Wilshire Blvd., 4th floor, Los Angeles, CA 90010

HOUSING

The following housing options are:

- Plan B: One or more participants live independently in an apartment rented or leased by the licensee located in a building in which one or more adult employees of the THPP provides supervision (supervising adult);
- Plan C: One or more participants live independently in an apartment rented or leased by the licensee, under the supervision of the THPP licensee. On site supervision is not required. Agency staff are available to youth 24 hours per day.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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