

Useful Resources Related to Emancipated Youth Issues

Advocacy and Foster Care Resources

California Youth Connection	http://www.calyouthconn.org	Statewide public policy and advocacy organization, led by foster youth.
Children's Home Society	http://www.chs-wa.org	Great information on the foster care system and advocacy links.
Welfare Information Network	http://www.welfareinfo.org/cwadoptionfostercare.htm	A clearinghouse for information, policy analysis and technical assistance related to welfare, workforce development, and other human and community services.
Youth Communication	http://www.youthcomm.org	This organization works to give youth a voice by teaching them to communicate through the written word. Youth Communication publishes magazines written entirely by foster youth. Visit the site to subscribe or view the 'zines online.

Foster Care Resources

Annie E. Casey Foundation	http://www.casey.org	Great statistics, publications, and resources on foster care issues.
California Youth Authority	http://www.cya.ca.gov/about/summarys.html	Statistics about youth in juvenile probation in California.
Casey Family Services	http://www.caseyfamilyservices.org	Resources for foster parents, youth, and professionals.
Child Welfare Research Center	http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSreports/	Website with research and statistics on youth in foster care. You can create your own report based on the data you are interested in.

Children's Rights	http://www.childrensrights.org/	National news and statistics on foster youth.
KCBS non-public school report	http://kcbs.dayport.com/launcher/1406	This brief 7-minute snapshot is an investigatory look into the nonpublic or group home schools and some of the failures of this educational system.
National Center for Foster Care and Permanency Planning	http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/socwork/nrcfcpp/	Training, technical assistance, and information services resources.
National Council for Juvenile and Family Court Judges: Permanency Planning for Children Department	http://www.pppncjfcj.org	Permanency planning resources for children.
National Foster Parents Association	http://www.nfpainc.org	Information and resources on and for foster parents. Links to Foster Club, a foster youth network hub.
National Resource Center for Youth Development	http://www.nrcys.ou.edu	Extensive listing of foster care resources and links.
San Francisco Department Human Services	http://www.sfgov.org/site/dhs_index.asp	Link to San Francisco foster care system website.
Spaulding for Children	http://www.spaulding.org	Training, consultation, and informational materials for professionals, organizations and parents concerning adoption and permanency.
USDHHS Administration for Children and Families	http://www.acf.hhs.gov/acf_research_planning.html	Statistics about foster youth on the national level and some legislative information.

Children's Advocacy Resources

Center for Adolescent Health and Law	http://www.adolescenthealthlaw.org	Publications and resources on issues related to laws and policies concerning health of adolescents and their access to comprehensive health care.
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Children's Bureau, US Dept. of Health and Human Services	http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/cb	Information on funding, policies, laws, and resources on children's issues.
Children's Defense Fund	http://www.childrensdefense.org/	Information and resources on advocating for children, preventing poverty, and meeting children's needs.
Connect for Kids	http://www.connectforkids.org	This Web site offers a place on the Internet for adults—parents, grandparents, educators, policymakers and others—who want to become more active citizens, from volunteering to voting with kids in mind.
National Association of Child's Advocates	http://www.childadvocacy.org	Publications and information on advocating for youth.
National Network for Youth	http://www.nn4youth.org	Online information source for non-profit organizations, advocates, and youth.

Children's Resources

California Youth Council Institute	http://www.nww.org/yci/	Shares reports on youth councils, effective practices, and other pertinent material.
Child Welfare League of America	http://www.cwla.org	News and information on child welfare issues.
Covering Kids and Families	http://www.coveringkids.org	Statistical information, initiatives, and resources for healthcare for uninsured kids and adults.
Kids Count	http://www.kidscount.org	Compiled indicators of child well-being from the 2000 US Census and interactive online database.
Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights	http://www.pacer.org/tatra/cross.htm	Contact information and summaries for cross cultural/cross systems change resources.
American Public Human Services Association	http://www.aphsa.org	Publications, statistics, and information on children in and out of foster care.

Advocacy and Housing Resources

Corporation for Supportive Housing	http://www.csh.org	Information on supportive housing, how-tos, policy and advocacy, and statistics.
National Coalition for the Homeless	http://www.nationalhomeless.org	Facts, legislation, and policy on homelessness.

Homelessness Resources

Long-Term Homelessness in California Publication	http://www.library.ca.gov/crb/03/12/03-012.pdf	Addressing long term homelessness in CA: Permanent Supportive Housing.
National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Offices	http://www.nahro.org	News and information on housing redevelopment.
National Community Development Association	http://www.ncdaonline.org	Community development resources.
Out of Reach 2003: America's Wage Climbs	http://www.nlihc.org/oor2003/	Side by Side comparison of wages and rents in every county, metropolitan statistical area, combined non-metropolitan area and state in the US.
Schwab Foundation Listserv	http://www.schwabfoundation.org	Information on housing and homelessness issues.
US Department of Housing and Urban Development	http://www.hud.gov	Extensive listing of housing resources, publications and information.
Weingart Institute for the Study of Homelessness and Poverty	http://www.weingart.org/institute/index.cfm	National and California specific studies on homelessness and poverty.

Useful Resources

Library of Congress	http://www.loc.gov/global/state/stategov.html	State and local government resources from the library of congress.
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Federal Grants	http://www.fedgrants.gov/	Listing of federal RFPs available for application.