



The Annie E. Casey Foundation, through its Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative®, focuses on ensuring young people have the resources, relationships and opportunities they need to succeed as they transition from foster care into adulthood. The following is a list of recent resources designed to help child welfare leaders, advocates and others support young people:

### The Road to Adulthood

This guide educates adults on how they can do more to ensure that the road leaving foster care will take young people to self-sufficiency and successful adulthood.

[www.aecf.org/resources/the-road-to-adulthood/](http://www.aecf.org/resources/the-road-to-adulthood/)

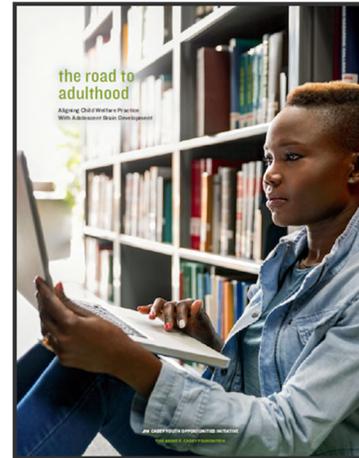
#### Related resources

- Brain Frames: Short Tools for Positive Interactions With Youth in Foster Care

[www.aecf.org/blog/brain-frames-short-tools-for-positive-interactions-with-youth-in-foster-care/](http://www.aecf.org/blog/brain-frames-short-tools-for-positive-interactions-with-youth-in-foster-care/)

- Video: Turning Brain “Strains” Into “Gains” for Adolescents in Foster Care

[www.aecf.org/blog/turning-brain-strains-into-gains-for-adolescents-in-foster-care/](http://www.aecf.org/blog/turning-brain-strains-into-gains-for-adolescents-in-foster-care/)



### Keys to Your Financial Future

Becoming economically secure is an important goal for young people transitioning from foster care into adulthood. The Casey Foundation offers a comprehensive financial education curriculum — built around eight modules or “keys” — to help youth develop their financial aptitude and make better financial decisions. Guides for facilitators and youth participating in the training are available.

[www.aecf.org/work/child-welfare/jim-casey-youth-opportunities-initiative/the-keys-to-your-financial-future-curriculum/](http://www.aecf.org/work/child-welfare/jim-casey-youth-opportunities-initiative/the-keys-to-your-financial-future-curriculum/)

### Fostering Youth Transitions

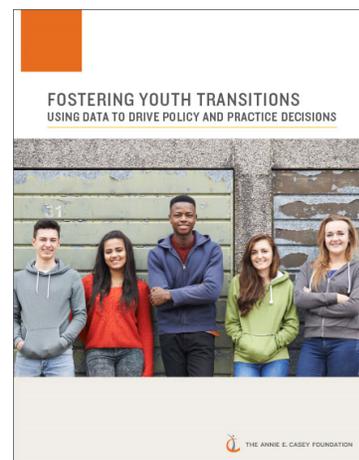
This publication highlights key data and insights — including individual state fact sheets — about the lives of young people who have experienced foster care. It provides information that will help get young people the opportunities they need to secure employment and housing.

[www.aecf.org/resources/fostering-youth-transitions/](http://www.aecf.org/resources/fostering-youth-transitions/)

### Expectant and Parenting Youth in Foster Care

This toolkit assists systems leaders in gathering, assessing, sharing and leveraging data on expectant and parenting youth in foster care.

[www.aecf.org/resources/expectant-and-parenting-youth-in-foster-care/](http://www.aecf.org/resources/expectant-and-parenting-youth-in-foster-care/)



### **Equity Conversation Guides for Young Leaders and Partners**

A set of four guides, the Equity Conversation Guides provide step-by-step instructions for facilitators to lead groups of young people in understanding the history of structural racism and how it operates today.

[www.aecf.org/work/child-welfare/jim-casey-youth-opportunities-initiative/equity-conversation-guides-for-young-leaders-and-partners/](http://www.aecf.org/work/child-welfare/jim-casey-youth-opportunities-initiative/equity-conversation-guides-for-young-leaders-and-partners/)

### **Future Savings**

This report explores four areas — education, early parenthood, homelessness and incarceration — where young people who age out of foster care fare worse than their general population peers. Learn the economic cost of this shortfall and see how targeted interventions can help these youth while also erasing billions in unnecessary costs.

[www.aecf.org/resources/future-savings/](http://www.aecf.org/resources/future-savings/)



### **Promising Program Models for Extended Foster Care and Transition Services**

This publication reviews promising state approaches to extended foster care. Programmatic elements covered include eligibility, placement settings, case management models and transition services.

[www.aecf.org/resources/promising-program-models-for-extended-foster-care-and-transition-services/](http://www.aecf.org/resources/promising-program-models-for-extended-foster-care-and-transition-services/)

### **Child Trends Fact Sheet: Older Youth Need Support Transitioning from Foster Care to Adulthood**

This infographic provides an overview of outcomes associated with participation in extended foster care and a policy timeline highlighting child welfare policies involving older youth.

[www.childtrends.org/publications/fact-sheet-older-youth-need-support-transitioning-from-foster-care-to-adulthood](http://www.childtrends.org/publications/fact-sheet-older-youth-need-support-transitioning-from-foster-care-to-adulthood)

### **Supporting Older Youth Beyond Age 18: Examining Data and Trends in Extension of Foster Care**

This Child Trends report explores the correlation between extended foster care and young adult outcomes and provides recommendations to help systems meet the unique needs of older youth.

[www.aecf.org/blog/report-young-people-benefit-from-extended-foster-care/](http://www.aecf.org/blog/report-young-people-benefit-from-extended-foster-care/)

### **The Economic Well-Being of Youth Transitioning From Foster Care**

This brief examines Opportunity Passport® participant data to reveal the education and employment barriers that young people often face when leaving foster care. The Opportunity Passport program is a matched-savings intervention that aims to improve young people's financial capability.

[www.aecf.org/resources/the-economic-well-being-of-youth-transitioning-from-foster-care/](http://www.aecf.org/resources/the-economic-well-being-of-youth-transitioning-from-foster-care/)

### **Opportunity Investment Accounts:**

#### **A Proposal for an Integrated Asset Building Mechanism for Youth in Foster Care**

Making the case for an asset-building approach, this brief explores use of programs such as Children's Saving Accounts as a way to better prepare young people in foster care as they transition into adulthood.

<https://aedi.ssw.umich.edu/publications/1912-opportunity-investment-accounts-a-proposal-for-an-integrated-asset-building-mechanism-for-youth-in-foster-care>