



What is Independent Living Skills (ILSP)?

- Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 (Public Law 106-169)
- Provides training, services, and benefits to assist current and former foster youth in achieving self-sufficiency prior to, and after leaving, the foster care system
- Each county has the flexibility to design services to meet a wide range of individual needs and circumstances.

The Independent Living Skills Program

“Our vision is to move every youth
from stagnation to motivation,
from limitations to possibilities;
from dependency to self-sufficiency;
from the past to the FUTURE.”



ILSP spotlights “The Four Pillars”

- Education
- Employment
- Housing
- Well-Being



Who is Eligible?

- Youth placed in out-of-home care between their 16th and 19th birthday.
- Former dependents who entered into a kinship guardianship at any age and is receiving Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payments (Kin-GAP) at the age between 16 and 18.
- Former dependent who entered into a Non-Related Legal Guardianship (NRLG) after their 8th birthday.

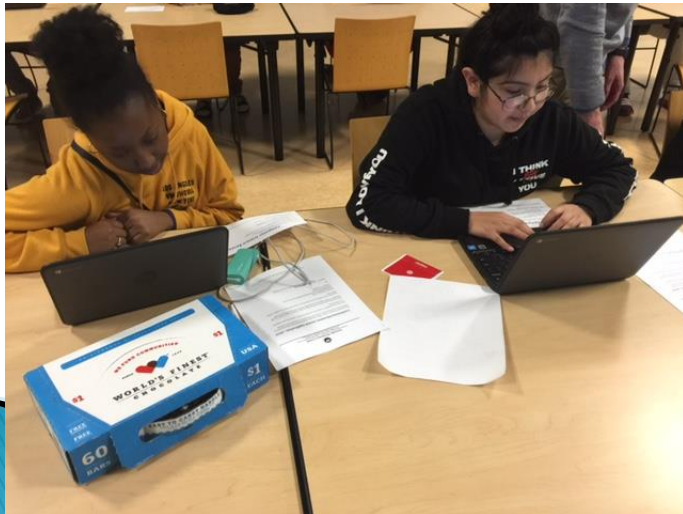
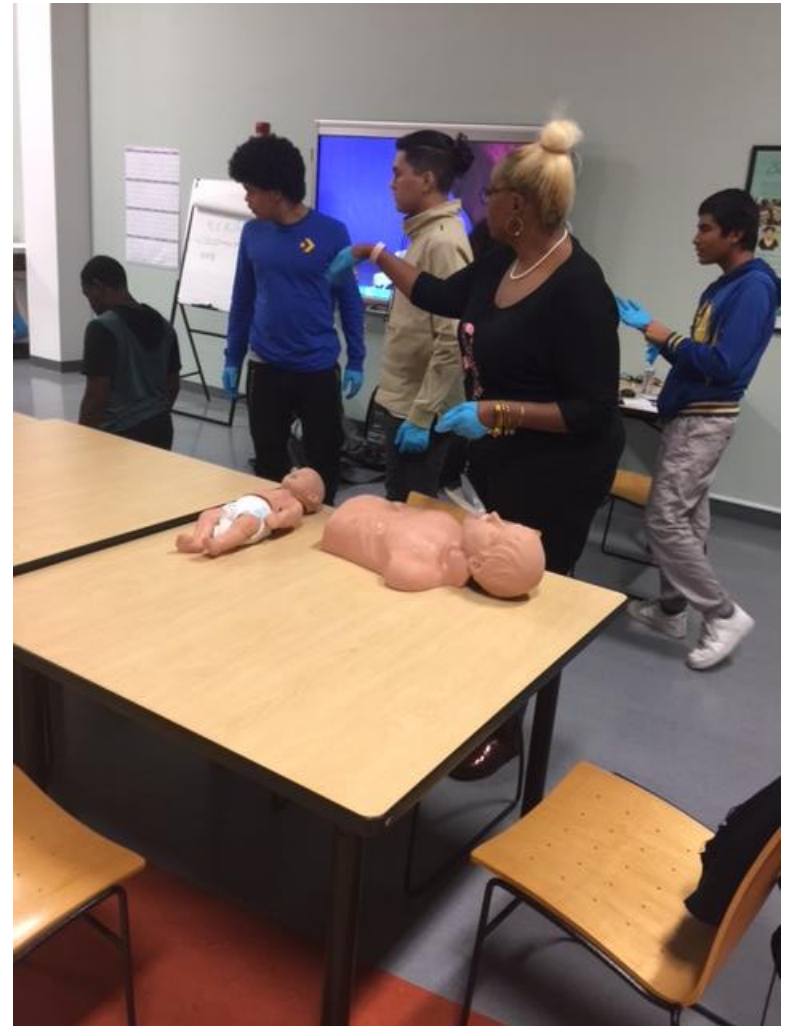


Some of the Services Contra Costa County Provides:

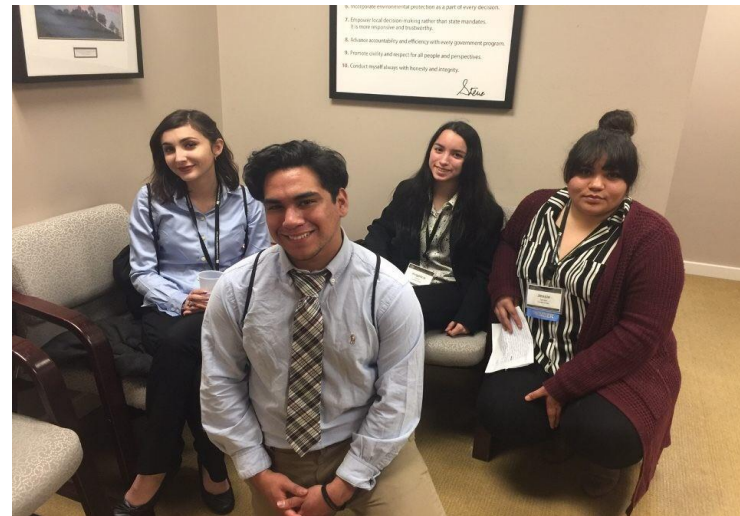
- Daily living skills
- Money management
- Building/developing self-esteem
- Financial support with college or vocational schools
- Educational Resources
- Housing Transitional Housing
- Employment



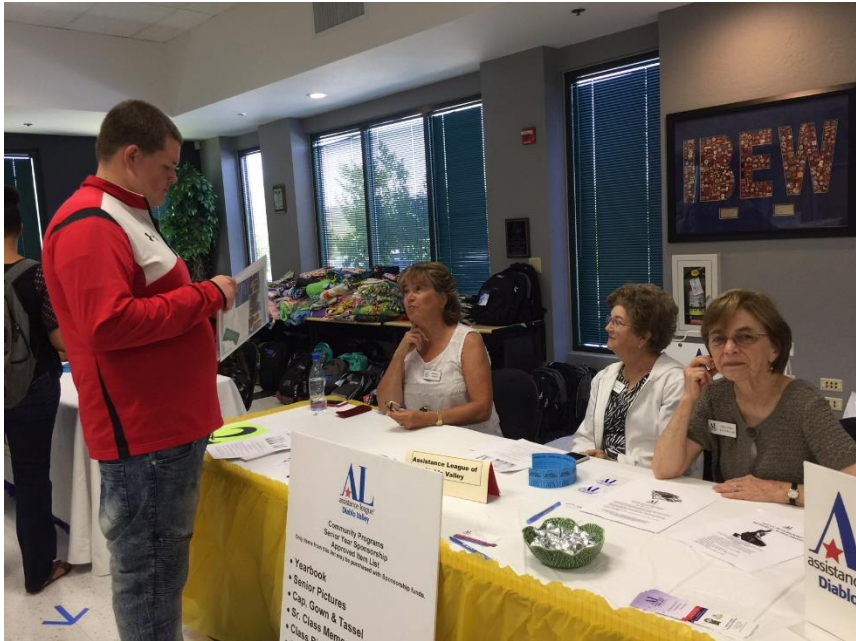
A Glimpse of ILSP Life Skills Workshops & Events ...



California Youth Connection Day at the Capitol Conference



Senior Kick Off





Fall Retreat





Iron Chef Youth



Foster Youth Conference



2018/2019 Summary

- 642 current and former foster youth served
- 44 THP+ provided transitional housing & support services
- 24 THPP NMD provided transitional housing & support services
- THP+FC is expanding to meet the needs of foster youth
- 125 ILSP youth graduated High School in 2019
- 11 graduated college



31st Annual ILSP Recognition Event

