



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

- The Washington County Youth Service Bureau is the administrative and fiscal agent for YDP statewide since July 2012
- Services are contracted and delivered in all twelve DCF districts through 10 social service agencies and 18 Youth Development Coordinators (16 FTEs)
- YDP provides collaborative case management with DCF and aftercare supports for over 400 youth annually
- YDP Admin Team: Amanda Churchill, Nazly Guzman, Anna Berg, Kreig Pinkham, Dana Lawrence (DCF) provides contract oversight, training, technical assistance, clinical supervision, auditing, payment, database development, reporting, and generation of Medicaid revenues

YDP Services

- Voluntary transition and aftercare supports for youth ages 15-22 in or formerly in DCF custody
- Collaborative case management with DCF social workers
- Goal setting and transition planning in the areas of transportation, education, employment, housing, budgeting, lifelong connections and natural supports, health education, risk reduction
- Access to Extended Care resources

Extended Care

- Voluntary Services Agreement
 - Completion of Secondary Education - Category A (continuation of DCF case plan through high school graduation)
 - Adult Living Partner - Category B (YDP managed extended foster care)
 - Housing Support Program - Category C (YDP disbursed independent living stipends)
 - Incidental Living Grants & Normalcy Supports

Health Care

- Medicaid for former foster youth until age 26

Post-Secondary Education

- CCV & CSJ Partnerships
- VSAC Outreach Counselors & Financial Aid (independent student status, scholarships, criminal convictions)

Youth Leadership

- Youth Development Committee/Youth Leadership Program
- Youth Conference – APRIL 1, 2014 at Vermont Technical College, Randolph

YDP Manual & Website (<https://sites.google.com/a/wcysb.org/youth-development-program>)

- Medicaid Billing, File Checklist and Statewide Paperwork
 - Plan of Care
 - Developmental Assets
 - Permanency: Youth Connections Scale
- Database & NYTD Reporting
 - Longitudinal study of 17, 19, and 21 year old youth as they leave foster care system
 - Monthly tracking: 11 demographics, 11 services, 21 outcomes, social connectedness, financial supports

Youth Worker Training

- Monthly YDP Network Meetings & Training Space
- Working with Youth Conference – MAY 22-23, 2014 at Hilton, Burlington