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**Homespace provides comprehensive services to youth and families impacted by the foster care system, and other health disparities, through building on strengths, providing supports, and instilling skills that lay the foundation for successful community living.**

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For the past 30 years, Homespace has been successfully helping youth in foster care (age 14-21) to forge a better life for themselves and their children. Homespace provides a safe, nurturing environment where these young men and women can learn the skills to enhance themselves and their families. Clients receive training in job-readiness, budgeting, household management, nutrition, parenting, as well as comprehensive clinical services.

Homespace is a family. We are guided by integrity, treating everyone with dignity and respect. Our families, guests, and staff are given the security of a safe and caring environment. We encourage empowerment driven by knowledge. Homespace succeeds when we work in collaboration with our internal and external partners who will help us achieve our mission.

Homespace is a COA Accredited nonprofit that serves young people from across New York State. We have developed working relationships with a variety of counties including, but not limited to Erie, Niagara, Cattaraugus, Genesee, Herkimer, Monroe, Onondaga, Orange, and Ulster.

Any youth in foster care can benefit from **our services**: Next Step Program, Second Chance Home, Supervised Independent Living Program (SILP), the Young Person Resource & Empowerment Program (Y-PREP), and Children & Family Treatment and Support Services (CFTSS) all of which are described in detail on the back of this information sheet.



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## NEXT STEP

Next Step is a QRTP certified Agency Operated Boarding Home for young women in foster care ages 14-21. This program provides safety, structure, and support from caring staff as youth learn independent living skills and prepare to live in a supported independent living program.

## SUPERVISED INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM (SILP)

Supportive apartment program from 18-21-year-old pregnant, parenting, or single youth in the foster care system. Youth in this program have shown they are capable of living independently, some in a staffed setting and some in the community, with access to a variety of services.

## CHILDREN & FAMILY TREATMENT AND SUPPORT SERVICES (CFTSS)

Child and family therapy available to any youth (under age 21) covered by medicaid in the foster care system and their family

## SECOND CHANCE HOME

Second Chance Home is a QRTP exempt pregnant, parenting, and post-partum home. It is for youth in foster care who are actively parenting young mothers and fathers, as well as any youth in foster care who has had a pregnancy related experience, between the ages of 14-21. This program provides a safe, supportive home to raise children while working towards goals related to permanency, self-sufficiency, and parenting.

## YOUNG PERSON RESOURCES & EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM (Y-PREP)

Y-PREP is designed to serve youth who have aged out of foster care, ages 16-24. Y-PREP services focus on teaching life skills to be a productive adult including but not limited to receiving a GED, attending trade school, job hunting, finding an apartment, budgeting, time-management, self-advocacy, applying for benefits like SNAP and WIC, and mental health services.



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