

# About Y-PREP

Y-PREP is designed to serve youth currently placed in foster care ages 14-21, youth who aged out of foster care ages 21-23 and youth at risk for entering foster care. YPREP services focus on assisting those who are pregnant and/or parenting and are also available to youth who are not pregnant or parenting on a limited basis.

Y-PREP offers both short-term services as well as long-term services depending on the need of the youth. The program focuses on skill building and providing financial assistance to support youth with IL skill related activities.

**Homespace strives to foster an environment in which young families can learn to grow, communicate and care for each other with the ultimate goal of producing a stable, healthy and functional unit.**

*CONTACT US TODAY TO FIND OUT IF WE CAN HELP YOU ACHIEVE THIS GOAL FOR YOURSELF OR A YOUTH YOU CARE ABOUT!*

**For referrals, please contact:**

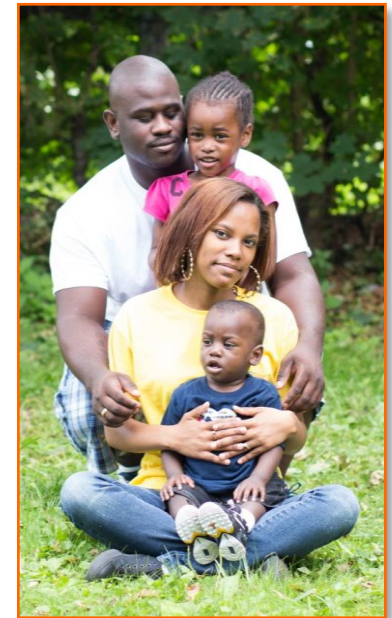
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## Young Person Resource & Empowerment Program (Y-PREP)

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## Services

Each youth in the Y-PREP program is provided with the following:

- Case Management
- Budgeting Skills
- Goal Development
- Experiential learning to improve their skill set

### Focus Areas Include:

- Education/Vocation
- Parenting Skills
- Housing Support
- Daily Living Skills
- Career Exploration, Job Placement and Retention
- Mental, Physical, Emotional, and Behavioral Health

## Eligibility

### Primary Eligibility Requirements

- 14-23 years old (Male or Female)
- Currently in foster care, in the process of leaving foster care, history of foster care, or at risk of foster care placement. Erie County only!
- Pregnant and/or Parenting

**Y-PREP is also suited to help youth in the following situations:**

- At risk of homelessness
- Youth involved in the juvenile justice system and/or child protective services
- Need for financial support to build upon IL skills
- History of placement disruptions



## Services Continued

YPREP is a unique program that can supplement and support services that the youth is already receiving. We understand that not all youth will need full case management services due to other programs they may be linked with. Therefore, we now offer a short-term YPREP option that allows youth to be accepted into the program to meet a specific one time need. In addition, YPREP continues to offer our full case management program for those youth in need of more long-term, intensive services. To apply to either program please send completed application to Katy Cooper for review.



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