

News Briefs

Six Youth Offender Demonstration Project sites receive further funding: USDOL and USDOJ have selected six of the current YODP sites to participate in an impact study. Sites receiving an additional increment of funding include San Diego; Wildcat South Bronx; Nashville; Brockton, Massachusetts; Philadelphia; and Hawaii.

Homeless Assistance Act Guidance: The U.S. Department of Education released updated guidance in July regarding education for homeless youth and youth awaiting foster care placement. For a copy of the guidance see www.ed.gov/programs/homeless/guidance.pdf. Organizations providing technical assistance on this issue include the Child Welfare League of America, the National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty, and the National Center for Homeless Education.

Resources

Reading:

On Their Own: What Happens to Kids When they Age Out of the Foster Care System, by Martha Shirk and Gary Stangler, profiles ten young people making the transition from foster care to adulthood. For a copy, visit your local bookstore, www.westviewpress.com or www.amazon.com.

Guide To Federal Funding Sources For The Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative and Other Youth Initiatives comprehensively lists funding sources for youth in transition: www.financeprojectinfo.org/Publications/JCYOI%20Funding%20Guide.pdf

The Link Juvenile Justice-Child Welfare Newsletter is available online from the Child Welfare League of America at www.cwla.org/programs/juvenilejustice/jidnewsletter.htm.

Disproportionate Minority Confinement: 2002 Update: OJJDP's summary description of DMC developments at the national, state, and local levels with a special section on Washington State, at: <http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org/Publications/PubAbstract.asp?pubi=11816>

Training:

The Youth Services Summit, October 25-27, 2004, San Diego: See www.performanceweb.org/social/s171/s171.htm for more information or registration.

Bureau of Justice Assistance Regional Conference Series: Two-day conferences provide updates on USDOJ block and formula grants, new initiatives, and region-specific issues for state agencies and subgrantees. Southeast Region (October 5-6) and West Region (November 30-December 1) meetings have yet to occur. For more information see: www.ncja.org/bjaregionalmeeting.html



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