

Aftercare Participant Survey Results – SFY 2018

April 2018 (N = 382; 94.3% of active participants)



Agency providing services:	Percent	Number
American Home Finding Association	3.19%	12
Children's Square	12.77%	48
Family Resources	5.05%	19
Foundation 2	9.57%	36
Four Oaks	16.22%	61
Young House Family Services	2.39%	9
Youth Homes of Mid-America	1.33%	5
YSS – Ames	4.52%	17
YSS – Francis Lauer	6.65%	25
YSS – Hamilton	7.18%	27
YSS-Marshall	4.26%	16
YSS-IHYC	26.86%	101
	<i>answered question</i>	376
	<i>skipped question</i>	6

Youth Demographics

Participant's last placement was state training school?	Percent	Number
Yes	17.33%	65
No	82.67%	310
	<i>answered question</i>	375
	<i>skipped question</i>	7

What is your gender?	Percent	Number
Female	48.09%	176
Male	51.09%	187
Other	0.55%	2
Prefer not to answer	0.27%	1
	<i>answered question</i>	366
	<i>skipped question</i>	16

Do you identify as LGBT+?	Percent	Number
Yes	7.65%	28
No	86.34%	316
Prefer not to answer	6.01%	22
	<i>answered question</i>	
	<i>skipped question</i>	

How old are you?	Percent	Number
18	25.00%	92
19	41.30%	152
20	32.88%	121
21*	0.82%	3
		368
	<i>answered question</i>	
		14
	<i>skipped question</i>	

*Eligibility for Aftercare ends at age 21, but active participants who turn 21 and are in the process of exiting services the month the survey is administered are invited to complete the survey.

What race(s) do you identify yourself as? Select all that apply.	Percent	Number
African American or Black	19.78%	72
Asian	1.10%	4
Hispanic or Latino	11.54%	42
Native American or Indian American	3.57%	13
Pacific Islander	0.00%	0
White	64.29%	234
Multiracial	7.14%	26
Prefer not to answer	1.37%	5
Other	1.37%	5
		364
	<i>answered question</i>	
		18
	<i>skipped question</i>	

Outcomes

Last month, did you have enough money and other resources to cover your expenses? (Include earnings, money from PAL, vendor payments, and any other assistance.)	Percent	Number
Yes	73.17%	270
No	21.95%	81
Not sure	4.88%	18
		369
	<i>answered question</i>	
		13
	<i>skipped question</i>	
Do you have a safe and stable place to live?	Percent	Number
Yes	94.31%	348
No	5.69%	21
		369
	<i>answered question</i>	
		13
	<i>skipped question</i>	

Do you have a positive relationship with at least one adult in your community?	Percent	Number
Yes	99.18%	365
No	0.82%	3
	<i>answered question</i>	368
	<i>skipped question</i>	14

Self-Sufficiency Advocate Performance

Overall, how helpful are meetings with your current Advocate to you? Rate on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being not helpful and 10 being extremely helpful to you.	Percent	Number
1	.27%	1
2	0	0
3	.54%	2
4	.54%	2
5	1.09%	4
6	1.63%	6
7	5.16%	19
8	14.13%	52
9	14.40%	53
10	62.23%	229
	average rating	9.2
	<i>answered question</i>	368
	<i>skipped question</i>	14

Overall, how valuable is Aftercare to you? Rate on a scale from 1 to 10, with 1 being of no value and 10 being extremely valuable.	Percent	Number
1	.27%	1
2	.27%	1
3	0	0
4	.54%	2
5	1.09%	4
6	1.36%	5
7	5.18%	19
8	11.72%	43
9	10.9%	40
10	68.66%	252
	average rating	9.31
	<i>answered question</i>	367
	<i>skipped question</i>	15

Does meeting with or talking to your current Advocate help you feel hopeful (or more hopeful) about your future?	Percent	Number
Almost always	80.16%	295
Sometimes	17.66%	65
Not really	2.17%	8
	<i>answered question</i>	368
	<i>skipped question</i>	14

Normalcy Questions

Where did you live most of the time when you were in an out of home placement?	Percent	Number
Family foster home (non-relative)	35.16%	128
Group care	10.71%	39
PMIC	1.65%	6
Residential treatment	17.58%	64
Relative foster care (kinship)	5.49%	20
Shelter	7.42%	27
Supervised apartment living (SAL)	3.85%	14
State training school or detention	12.09%	44
Other (please specify) *	6.04%	22
	<i>answered question</i>	364
	<i>skipped question</i>	18

* Examples of "other" placements include: relative's house, my own place, friend's house, parents

Thinking about where you spent most of your time in placement, please indicate for each activity if you were able, not interested, or could not participate because of being in placement.	% I was able to do this	% I was not interested in doing this	% I could not do this
Participate in sports, music, cheerleading, other school activities	56.04%	23.08%	20.88%
Attend school dances	40.66%	19.78%	39.56%
Go on school field trips	57.02%	12.40%	30.58%
Take Driver's Education	40.88%	14.92%	44.20%
Drive yourself to school	23.27%	8.59%	68.14%
Ride with friends in their cars	49.45%	4.67%	45.88%
Have a cell phone	51.65%	0.82%	47.53%
Go to a friend's house to hang out or sleepover	45.05%	4.12%	50.82%
Do things with friends (like shopping, movies, or go out to eat)	56.04%	3.85%	40.11%
Have access to the Internet or social media	58.40%	2.48%	39.12%
Attend a church of my choice	44.51%	28.85%	26.65%
Have a say in how you spent your own money	56.87%	2.75%	40.38%
Have a part-time job	56.08%	6.63%	37.29%
Earn an allowance (or money for doing chores, odd jobs, etc.)	48.35%	5.49%	46.15%
Have a bank account	55.25%	7.46%	37.29%

What, if anything, do you think kept you from participating in any of the above or similar activities? (Choose all that apply.)	Percent	Number
Nothing kept me from participating	27.65%	99
Cost	13.13%	47
Lack of transportation	13.41%	48
Couldn't get permission	17.04%	61
Rules of the placement I was in	54.75%	196
I don't know	9.50%	34
Other (please specify)*	4.47%	16
	<i>answered question</i>	358
	<i>kipped question</i>	24

* Examples of "other" -- Grades and attitude, no license, did not behave, liability, worked instead, injury, DHS, etc.