

Aftercare Participant Survey Results for October 2015

N = 398 (83.6% of Participants)

Agency providing services:	Percent of Responses	Response Count
American Home Finding Association	4.0%	16
Children's Square	18.6%	74
Family Resources	6.5%	26
Foundation 2	10.1%	40
Four Oaks	15.6%	62
Francis Lauer Youth Services	5.3%	21
Young House Family Services	3.5%	14
Youth Homes of Mid-America	0.3%	1
YSS - Ames	6.3%	25
YSS - Des Moines (IHYC)	12.3%	49
YSS - Hamilton	10.1%	40
YSS - Marshall	7.5%	30
	<i>answered question</i>	100%
	<i>skipped question</i>	0
		398
		0

DEMOGRAPHICS

What is your gender?	Response Percent	Response Count
Male	46.0%	178
Female	54.0%	209
	<i>answered question</i>	387
	<i>skipped question</i>	11

How old are you?	Response Percent	Response Count
18	33.8%	130
19	33.5%	129
20	32.2%	124
21	0.5%	2
	<i>answered question</i>	385
	<i>skipped question</i>	13

In what County do you currently live?

County	Percent	Number	County	Percent	Number
Polk	13.4%	43	Marion	0.6%	2
Linn	11.3%	36	Osceola	0.6%	2
Black Hawk	8.8%	28	Wright	0.6%	2
Pottawattamie	4.7%	15	Adams	0.3%	1
Dubuque	4.4%	14	Audubon	0.3%	1
Des Moines	3.8%	12	Carroll	0.3%	1
Johnson	3.8%	12	Cass	0.3%	1
Story	3.8%	12	Cherokee	0.3%	1
Woodbury	3.8%	12	Clarke	0.3%	1
Cerro Gordo	3.1%	10	Clayton	0.3%	1
Webster	2.8%	9	Clinton	0.3%	1
Wapello	2.5%	8	Dallas	0.3%	1
Scott	2.2%	7	Fayette	0.3%	1
Dickinson	1.9%	6	Greene	0.3%	1
O'Brien	1.9%	6	Hancock	0.3%	1
Boone	1.6%	5	Henry	0.3%	1
Crawford	1.6%	5	Howard	0.3%	1
Jasper	1.6%	5	Iowa	0.3%	1
Floyd	1.6%	5	Mills	0.3%	1
Emmet	1.6%	5	Mitchell	0.3%	1
Lee	1.3%	4	Muscatine	0.3%	1
Marshall	1.3%	4	Page	0.3%	1
Warren	1.3%	4	Palo Alto	0.3%	1
Benton	1.0%	3	Plymouth	0.3%	1
Buena Vista	1.0%	3	Pocahontas	0.3%	1
Monroe	1.0%	3	Shelby	0.3%	1
Sioux	1.0%	3	Tama	0.3%	1
Allamakee	0.6%	2	Washington	0.3%	1
Clay	0.6%	2	Winnebago	0.3%	1
Harrison	0.6%	2	Winneshiek	0.3%	1
Mahaska	0.6%	2	37 Counties	0.0%	0

answered question 321

skipped question 77

SELF-SUFFICIENCY ADVOCATE PERFORMANCE

Over the last 2 or 3 months, about how often have you had contact with your Self-Sufficiency Advocate? (in-person, phone calls, emails, texts, etc.)	Response Percent	Response Count
Two or more times a week	13.0%	51
About once a week	28.8%	113
Twice a month	56.4%	221
Once a month	1.8%	7
<i>answered question</i>		392

skipped question

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Is the number of times you have contact with your Advocate . . . (*Incentive Target = 85% About Right)	Response Percent	Response Count
About right, sufficient to meet my needs	98.0%	384
Not enough, I could use more help	1.5%	6
Too much, I really don't need that much help	0.5%	2
	<i>answered question</i>	392
	<i>skipped question</i>	6

Where do you USUALLY meet with your Advocate?	Response Percent	Response Count
At his/her office	29.3%	115
At my place	47.1%	185
At a public place like a restaurant, library, etc.	30.8%	121
Other	5.1%	20
	<i>answered question</i>	393
	<i>skipped question</i>	5

"Other" Responses

- anywhere we decide
- Kmart
- program site
- Lake Life Skills
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- Grandpa House
- the van
- AMP
- school
- Tenco
- my job on break
- Hy-vee
- Lake Life Skills
- Everywhere
- dorms
- Work
- There's a good mixture between public and my house
- Computerlab
- places I need to go
- my mothers house

Would you prefer to meet with your Advocate somewhere else? (Incentive Target = 85% No)	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	1.0%	4
No	93.6%	365
Sometimes	5.4%	21
	<i>answered question</i>	390
	<i>skipped question</i>	8

Which of the following statements best describes your self-sufficiency plan? (Incentive Target = 85% Realistic/What I want)	Response Percent	Response Count
My plan is realistic and based mostly on what I want to work on and do	97.9%	379
My plan is based mostly on what my Advocate thinks I should do	1.3%	5
I don't really have a plan	0.8%	3
	<i>answered question</i>	387
	<i>skipped question</i>	11

How often does your Advocate hold you accountable for what you need to do?	Response Percent	Response Count
Always	92.1%	361
Sometimes	7.1%	28
Rarely	0.8%	3
	<i>answered question</i>	392
	<i>skipped question</i>	6

YOUTH OUTCOMES

Do you have enough resources to meet your living expenses? (Incentive Target = 60% Yes)	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	68.1%	267
No	7.9%	31
Sometimes	24.0%	94
	<i>answered question</i>	392
	<i>skipped question</i>	6

Do you have a safe and stable place to live? (Incentive Target = 75% Yes)	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	97.0%	381
No	3.0%	12
	<i>answered question</i>	393
	<i>skipped question</i>	5

Do you have positive personal relationships with adults in the community? (Incentive Target = 90% Yes, plenty)	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes, plenty	80.6%	315
Some, but not enough	16.6%	65
No	2.8%	11

<i>answered question</i>	391
<i>skipped question</i>	7

Where did you spend most of your time in placement?	Response Percent	Response Count
Family foster home (non-relative)	46.8%	170
Group home	28.7%	104
Shelter	3.9%	14
Relative's home	8.8%	32
Supervised Apartment Living (SAL)	4.7%	17
State training school	7.2%	26
Other*		30

<i>answered question</i>	363
<i>skipped question</i>	35

*Participants could select "Other" and fill in the blank in addition to a multiple choice answer.

"Other" Responses

- Clarinda Academy
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- Family foster home (relative)
- relative foster home
- treatment
- Resident of treatment
- Work, friends
- And group home
- PIMIC
- Independent living
- Suitable other placement
- Rehab
- Clarinda Academy
- Woodward
- mom
- Group home and State training school
- House of Mercy
- self
- shelter
- I have my own place
- Family Foster Home - 3yrs, Group Home - 3yrs
- And STS
- friends
- Woodward Academy
- Forrest Ridge
- Treatment
- Appt.
- and SAL
- and group home and shelter

We are interested in knowing about your involvement in typical activities while you were in placement. Please indicated for each activity if you were able to participate, were not interested, or could not participate while in placement.	I was able to do this	I was not interested in doing this	I could not do this while in placement	Response Count
Participated in sports, music, speech, drama, cheerleading or other school activities	230	82	73	385
Attended school sports games, music concerts, drama	262	51	73	386

events				
Attended school dances	203	57	122	382
Went on school field trips	244	43	95	382
Took Driver's Education	158	61	163	382
Drive myself to school or other places	95	39	247	381
Rode with friends in their cars	190	19	174	383
Had a cell phone	187	13	185	385
Went to a friend's house to hang out or sleep over	172	19	193	384
Did things with friends, like shopping, going to movies or out to eat	227	13	145	385
Had access to the Internet or social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)	221	11	152	384
Attended a church of my choice	168	123	91	382
Got to spend time alone by myself	308	19	58	385
Had a part-time job	220	44	121	385
Earned an allowance	165	38	178	381
Opened a bank account	192	42	150	384
Got my hair cut/styled how I wanted	291	25	67	383
			<i>answered question</i>	386
			<i>skipped question</i>	12

What, if anything, kept you from participating in any of the above or similar activities? (Check all that apply)	Response Percent	Response Count
Cost	19.1%	70
Lack of transportation	18.5%	68
Couldn't get permission	19.4%	71
Rules of the placement I was in	57.8%	212
I don't know	8.5%	31
Nothing	22.9%	84
Other*		13
	<i>answered question</i>	367
	<i>skipped question</i>	31

*Participants could select "Other" and fill in the blank in addition to multiple choice answers.

"Other" Responses

- No one every encouraged me and I didn't ask
- Grades and behavior
- bad mean Foster mom
- myself
- Allowance wasn't offered
- Graduating High School
- I did not want 2
- only if I was grounded
- supervision
- Treatment
- my behavior
- asthma
- I had a young child at all times. no babysitter