

**Aftercare Participant Survey Results – October 2016**  
 N = 456 (91.0% of participants)



Agency providing services:	Percent	Number
American Home Finding Association	3.1%	14
Children's Square	15.6%	71
Family Resources	3.9%	18
Foundation 2	8.4%	38
Four Oaks	15.8%	72
Young House Family Services	2.0%	9
Youth Homes of Mid-America	0.4%	2
YSS – Ames	6.8%	31
YSS – Francis Lauer	5.9%	27
YSS – Hamilton	10.3%	47
YSS – IHYC	22.6%	103
YSS - Marshall	5.3%	24
	<i>answered question</i>	456
	<i>skipped question</i>	0

**Youth Demographics**

What is your gender?	Percent	Number
Female	48.2%	210
Male	51.1%	223
Other	0.5%	2
Prefer not to answer	0.2%	1
	<i>answered question</i>	436
	<i>skipped question</i>	20

Do you identify as LGBT+?	Percent	Number
Yes	10.1%	44
No	84.1%	365
Prefer not to answer	5.8%	25
	<i>answered question</i>	434
	<i>skipped question</i>	22

How old are you?	Percent	Number
18	31.6%	137
19	36.6%	159
20	31.6%	137
21	0.2%	1
	<i>answered question</i>	434
	<i>skipped question</i>	22

What race(s) do you identify yourself as? Select all that apply.	Percent	Number
African American or Black	21.7%	95
Asian	0.2%	1
Hispanic or Latino	14.0%	61
Multiracial	4.8%	21
Native American or Indian American	5.9%	26
Pacific Islander	0.7%	3
White	67.7%	296
Other	1.4%	6
Prefer not to answer	1.1%	5
	<i>answered question</i>	437
	<i>skipped question</i>	19

Participant's last placement was state training school?	Percent	Number
Yes	13.9%	62
No	86.1%	385
	<i>answered question</i>	447
	<i>skipped question</i>	9

## 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	73.6%	318
No	21.3%	92
Not sure	5.1%	22
	<i>answered question</i>	432
	<i>skipped question</i>	24

Where did your money come from last month? Select all that apply.	Percent	Number
Employment	60.9%	263
PAL stipend	67.8%	293
Vendor payment	6.0%	26
Education loan, grant or scholarship	9.3%	40
Gift/donation from friend, family or organization	10.0%	43
Borrowed from a friend or family member	16.9%	73
Payday loan	0.5%	2
Loan from bank or credit union	1.6%	7
Child care assistance	0.2%	1
Child support payment	0.9%	4
Rent subsidy or public housing	4.9%	21
Food assistance (include WIC and SNAP)	17.4%	75
SSI (written in by youth)	1.4%	6
	<i>answered question</i>	432
	<i>skipped question</i>	24

Do you have a safe and stable place to live?	Percent	Number
Yes	96.3%	422
No	3.7%	16
	<i>answered question</i>	438
	<i>skipped question</i>	18

How many different places have you lived since you left your last placement?	Percent	Number
1	27.4%	120
2	26.7%	117
3	18.7%	82
4	9.6%	42
5	7.3%	32
6	3.0%	13
7 or more places	7.3%	32
	<i>answered question</i>	438
	<i>skipped question</i>	18

Do you have positive personal relationships with adults in the community?	Percent	Number
Yes, plenty	79.3%	349
Some, but not enough	18.4%	81
No	2.3%	10
	<i>answered question</i>	440
	<i>skipped question</i>	16

## Self-Sufficiency Advocate Performance

Is the number of times you see and meet with your Advocate...?	Percent	Number
About right	95.4%	419
Not enough	2.5%	11
Too much	2.1%	9
	<i>answered question</i>	439
	<i>skipped question</i>	17

Are you happy with the time of day and place that your Advocate meets with you?	Percent	Number
Almost always	95.4%	419
Sometimes	4.3%	19
Not really	0.2%	1
	<i>answered question</i>	439
	<i>skipped question</i>	17

Does meeting with or talking to your Advocate help you feel (more) hopeful about your future?	Percent	Number
Almost always	81.7%	357
Sometimes	16.2%	71
Not really	2.1%	9
	<i>answered question</i>	437
	<i>skipped question</i>	19

Have you ever talked with your Advocate about events related to race or social justice? (Such as Black Lives Matter, police-civilian interactions, racial disparity in jail or foster care)	Percent	Number
Yes	23.7%	104
No	65.1%	286
Not sure	11.2%	49
	<i>answered question</i>	439
	<i>skipped question</i>	17

How often do you talk with your Advocate about your personal race or culture?	Percent	Number
It's never come up	56.7%	249
Occasionally	23.7%	104
Frequently	8.0%	35
Don't remember	11.6%	51
	<i>answered question</i>	439
	<i>skipped question</i>	17

<b>We are interested in the kinds of things you and your Advocate work on. Indicate how often your Advocate has helped you with the following categories:</b>	<b>Weighted average (maximum = 4.0)</b>	<b>Number</b>
Housing (anything related to finding or keeping a safe place to live)	3.21	439
Life Skills (anything related to learning how to live on your own, how to grocery shop, cook, clean)	3.27	438
Finances (anything related to banking, budgeting, taxes, managing income, savings)	3.59	439
Education (anything related to enrolling in and attending an educational program, financial aid, academic progress)	3.41	435
Employment (anything related to getting, keeping or advancing in a job)	3.40	436
Health (anything related to accessing physical or mental health care and Medicaid/insurance)	3.07	438
Self-Care (anything related to keeping or improving your physical, mental and emotional well-being)	3.06	436
Relationships (including family members or other adults, friends, romantic partners)	3.03	438
Parenting (anything related to caring for and raising a child with or without a partner) <i>Skip if not a parent</i>	2.30	299
	<i>answered question</i>	439
	<i>skipped question</i>	17

<b>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.</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>
1	0.7%	3
2	0.2%	1
3	0.0%	0
4	0.7%	3
5	2.3%	10
6	2.5%	11
7	5.3%	23
8	12.8%	56
9	16.2%	71
10	59.4%	260
	<i>average rating</i>	9.09
	<i>answered question</i>	438
	<i>skipped question</i>	18