

Programs Serving California's Homeless Youth: Results of a Point-in-Time Survey

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The California Homeless Youth Project, a grant-funded research and policy initiative of the California Research Bureau, the California State Library, and New America Media, undertook a statewide point-in-time survey of programs providing services and supports to unaccompanied homeless youth between the ages of 12 and 24.

The programs identified in this survey were included because they primarily serve all segments of the unaccompanied homeless youth population. As a result, programs that primarily or exclusively serve former foster youth are not included. Although this population is at high risk for and represents a large segment of the overall homeless youth population, research shows that the majority of homeless youth have been missed by the system and are therefore ineligible for these services.

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PROGRAMS BY COUNTY

Alameda:

Covenant House Oakland (emergency shelter—18 beds; transitional living—14 beds)
Dreamcatcher Youth Shelter (drop-in, emergency shelter—8 beds)
Fred Finch Youth Center (emergency shelter—3 beds; transitional living—36 beds)
Motivating, Inspiring, Supporting, and Serving Sexually Exploited Youth (drop-in; referrals; 0 beds)

Youth Engagement, Advocacy and Housing (drop-in; emergency shelter is seasonal—25 beds, 5 overflow)

Total:

- 3 drop-in centers
- 4 emergency shelters with +/- 59 beds
- 2 transitional living programs with 50 beds
- 1 referrals program

Alpine

No known services



Amador

No known services

Butte:

6th Street Drop-In Center and Coleen's House (drop-in; emergency shelter—6 beds)
Homeless Emergency Runaway Effort (referrals; 0 beds)

Total:

1 drop-in center1 emergency shelter with 6 beds1 referrals program

Calaveras

No known services

Colusa

No known services

Contra Costa:

CC Youth Continuum of Services (drop-in; emergency shelter—18 beds; transitional living—11 beds)
Northern California Family Center (emergency shelter—3 beds)

Total:

1 drop-in center2 emergency shelters with 21 beds1 transitional living program with 11 beds

Del Norte

No known services

El Dorado:

New Morning Youth & Family Services (emergency shelter—6 beds; counseling; new shelter with 6 more beds expected summer 2011) Tahoe Youth & Family Services (drop-in; emergency shelter—4 beds)

Total:

1 drop-in center2 emergency shelters with 10 beds1 counseling program



Fresno:

Sanctuary Youth Services (drop-in; emergency shelter—20 beds; transitional living—84 beds)

Total:

1 drop-in center

1 emergency shelter with 20 beds

1 transitional living center with 84 beds

Glenn

No known services

Humboldt:

Youth Service Bureau (drop-in; emergency shelter—7 beds; transitional living—20 beds)

Total:

1 drop-in center

1 emergency shelter with 7 beds

1 transitional living program with 20 beds

Imperial

No known services

Invo

No known services

Kern

No known services

Kings

No known services

Lake

No known services

Lassen

No known services

Los Angeles:

1736 Family Crisis Center (emergency shelter—6 beds)
Angel's Flight (emergency shelter—16 beds)
Casa Libre/Freedom House (emergency shelter—14 beds)



Chrysalis (jobs program; 0 beds)

Common Ground – The Westside HIV Community Center (street outreach; drop-in; 0 beds)

Covenant House Hollywood (emergency shelter—64 beds; transitional living—30 beds; independent living apartment program—10 beds)

Hollywood Arts (education program; 0 beds)

Hope for Homeless Youth (street outreach; emergency shelter—47 beds)

Jovenes, Inc. (emergency shelter—10 beds; transitional living—7 beds)
Los Angeles Gay & Lesbian Center (drop-in, transitional living—24 beds)
Los Angeles Youth Network (drop-in; emergency shelter—17 beds;

temporary shelter—6 beds; transitional living—12 beds; independent living apartment program—13 beds)

My Friend's Place (drop-in; 0 beds)

The Way In (drop-in; emergency shelter—20 beds; transitional living—14 beds)

Total:

4 drop-in centers

9 emergency shelters with 194 beds

1 temporary shelter with 6 beds

5 transitional living programs with 97 beds

2 independent living apartment programs with 23 beds

2 street outreach programs

1 jobs program

1 education program

Madera

No known services

Marin.

Ambassadors of Hope and Opportunity (drop-in; referrals; 0 beds)

Totals:

1 drop-in center

1 referrals program

Mariposa

No known services

Mendocino:

Dogs And Youth Jobs (jobs program; 0 beds)
Mendocino County Youth Project (transitional living—7 beds)



Total:

1 transitional living program with 7 beds 1 jobs program

Merced

No known services

Modoc

No known services

Mono

No known services

Monterey

No known services

Napa

No known services

Nevada

No known services

Orange County:

Casa Youth Shelter (emergency shelter—13 beds)
Huntington Beach Youth Shelter (emergency shelter—12 beds)
Laurel House (long-term shelter—6 beds)
STAND UP FOR KIDS (street outreach; 0 beds)

Totals:

2 emergency shelters with 25 beds1 long-term shelter with 6 beds1 street outreach center

Placer

No known services

Plumas

No known services

Riverside:

Operation SafeHouse, Inc. (emergency shelter—37 beds; transitional living—20 beds)



Totals:

1 emergency shelter with 37 beds1 transitional living program with 20 beds

Sacramento:

California Youth Crisis Line (referrals; 0 beds)
Diogenes Youth Services (emergency shelter—12 beds)
Tubman House (long-term shelter—8 beds)
Wind Youth Services (drop-in; emergency shelter—12 beds; education program)

Total:

1 drop-in center2 emergency shelters with 24 beds1 long-term shelter with 8 beds1 educational program1 referral service

San Benito

No known services

San Bernardino

No known services

San Diego:

Counseling Cove (counseling; 0 beds)
The Storefront (drop-in; emergency shelter—20 beds)
Toussaint Academy of Arts and Sciences (long-term shelter—30 beds; education program)
YMCA Youth & Family Services (emergency shelter—20 beds; transitional living—10 beds)

Totals:

1 drop-in center

2 emergency shelters with 40 beds

1 long-term shelter with 30 beds

1 transitional living program with 10 beds

1 counseling program

1 educational program



San Francisco:

At The Crossroads (street outreach; counseling; 0 beds)
Huckleberry Youth Programs (emergency shelter—6 beds)
Larkin Street Youth Services (drop-in; emergency shelter—60 beds; transitional living—183 beds; independent living apartment program—24 beds)

Total:

1 drop-in center

2 emergency shelters with 66 beds

1 transitional living program with 183 beds

1 independent living apartment program with 24 beds

1 street outreach program

1 counseling program

San Joaquin

No known services

San Luis Obispo

No known services

San Mateo:

Catholic Workers House of Redwood City (long-term shelter—5 beds)
Daybreak (long-term shelter—10 beds)
Your House South (emergency shelter—6 beds)

Total:

1 emergency shelter with 6 beds 2 long-term shelters with 15 beds

Santa Barbara:

Noah's Anchorage Youth Crisis Shelter (street outreach; drop-in; long-term shelter—8 beds)

Total:

1 drop-in center1 long-term shelter with 8 beds1 street outreach program

Santa Clara:

Bill Wilson Center (drop-in; emergency shelter—20 beds; transitional living—8 beds)



Total:

1 drop-in center

1 emergency shelter with 20 beds

1 transitional living program with 8 beds

Santa Cruz

No known services

Shasta

No known services

Sierra

No known services

Siskiyou

No known services

Solano

No known services

Sonoma:

Dr. James E. Coffee House Teen Shelter (street outreach; emergency shelter—6 beds)

Total:

1 emergency shelter with 6 beds1 street outreach program

Stanislaus:

Hutton House (emergency shelter—8 beds)

Total:

1 emergency shelter with 8 beds

Sutter

No known services

Tehama

No known services

Trinity

No known services



Tulare

No known services

Tuolumne

No known services

Ventura:

Ventura County Office of Education Homeless Education Project (education; referrals; 0 beds)

Total:

1 educational program1 referrals program

Yolo

No known services

Yuba

No known services