

## What is the Independent Living Program? Why should I participate?

The Independent Living Program (ILP) is a federally funded program which assists current and former foster youth between the ages of 14 and 21 achieve self sufficiency prior to, and after, exiting the foster care system.



- ⇒ IL services are intended to assist you in developing skills you will need to become a productive and healthy adult.
- ⇒ These services provide tools to prepare you to achieve your DREAMS!
- ⇒ IL program helps youth make a good transition into adulthood.
- ⇒ It is completely voluntary—you make the choice to participate!



## Want to Learn More? Contact us!

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## Clinton County Independent Living Program

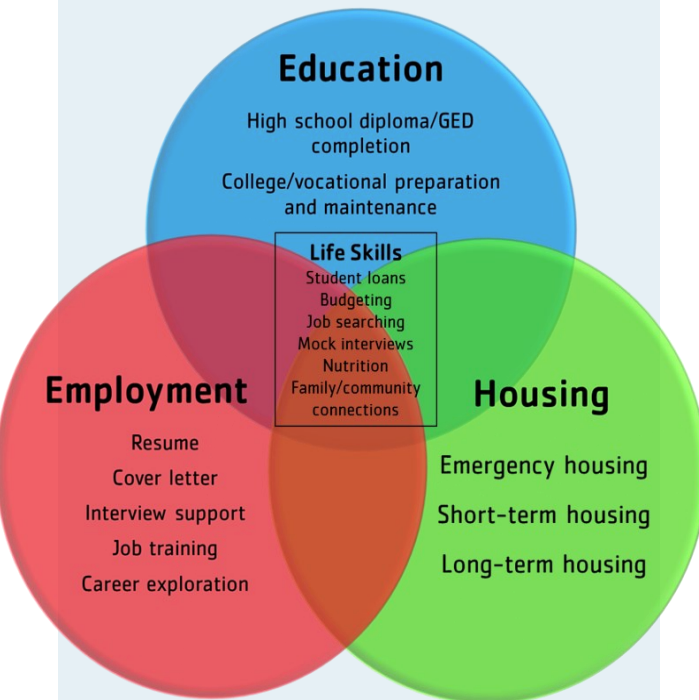


aging out  
OF FOSTER CARE?  
Now What?

## WE CAN HELP!

## Programs

- Daily Living Skills
- Home Management
- Budgeting and money management
- Career and educational planning
- Housing assistance
- Mentoring



## Frequently asked Questions...

Can my son or daughter live with me and still receive Independent Living Services?

- Yes! Even if your child is no longer in care, he/she is eligible to receive IL services.

Will my family have to be involved with Children and Youth?

- Families are not required to be currently involved with a Children and Youth Agency to be eligible.

What types of services are available?

- Job readiness and job search, budgeting, financial management, educational planning, and housing search and assistance.

How much do Independent Living Services Cost?

- They are FREE! They are provided through federal, state, and local funds and are coordinated by your local County Children & Youth Agency.

What is my role and how am I involved in planning for Independent Living Services?

- Provide your son or daughter with the guidance and support they need and take part in assisting your son or daughter with developing the skills they need to become productive and healthy adults.

Will the Program pay for post-secondary education or training?

- No, however the agency will assist you with completing the necessary financial aid forms needed to get scholarship and grant money.

Where can I get Independent Living Services or find more information about IL services?

- You can visit [www.independentlivingpa.org](http://www.independentlivingpa.org) or call Clarissa Shirk at 570-893-2585 ext 4.