

Facts and Figures

There are 400,000 youth in foster care nationwide - around 16,000 in MN

Black youth are overrepresented in foster care - 33% of youth in foster care are Black (15% of general population)

C2I OUTCOMES

MN STATS

2,000 youth in Minnesota **age out** of foster care every year

38% of those who age out **do not** have a plan to get **health insurance, a job, housing, or a driver's license**

39% of foster youth are **employed** at the **age of 19**, compared to **61%** of the general population

C2I YOUTH

60% of C2i youth and alumni have completed **post-secondary education**

69% of C2i participants who age out of foster care **maintain stable employment**

92% of C2i participants who age out of foster care **maintain stable housing**

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Learn More About Foster Care

Online Resources

[Center for Advanced Studies in Child Welfare - University of Minnesota](#)

[Foster Club](#)

[Foster Advocates - COVID-19 Impact Report on MN Foster Youth](#)

The Trials of Gabriel Fernández (Netflix)

Read

[Shattered Bonds - The Color of Child Welfare by Dorothy Roberts](#)

[A New Day One by Rodney J. Walker](#)

Watch

Foster (HBO)

Aging Out (Amazon Prime)

Get Involved

Tutor

C2i needs tutors willing to connect via Zoom in all subject areas!
Email tjackson@c2iyouth.org

Become a Foster Parent

[Learn about Foster Care Licensing Here](#)

[Learn more about short-term / respite foster care](#)

Become a Guardian ad Litem

A GAL is an advocate and representative for a child in the court system

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Adoption

Learn more about adopting foster youth of all ages

[MN Adopt](#)

Mentor

C2i is looking for new mentors to match with our youth in both our OG and Explorers mentorship programs

[C2i Mentoring Program Information](#)

Volunteer

Volunteering looks a little different during COVID
To host a drive or Zoom fundraiser, email Operations@c2iyouth.org and let's get creative!