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Primary Programs

- Street Outreach Program
- Basic Center Program
- Transitional Living Program/Maternity Group Home

Street Outreach Program

- Through the **Street Outreach Program (SOP)**, FYSB supports work with homeless, runaway and street youth to help them find stable housing and services. SOPs focus on developing relationships between outreach workers and young people that allow them to rebuild connections with caring adults. The ultimate goal is to prevent the sexual exploitation and abuse of youth on the streets.
- **Street outreach services include:**
 - Street based education and outreach
 - Access to emergency shelter
 - Survival aid
 - Treatment and counseling
 - Crisis intervention
 - Follow-up support

Basic Center Program

- The **Basic Center Program (BCP)** helps create and strengthen community-based programs that meet the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth under 18 years old. In addition, BCP tries to reunite young people with their families or locate appropriate alternative placements.
- **BCP provides the following services:**
 - Up to 21 days of shelter
 - Food, clothing and medical care
 - Individual, group and family counseling
 - Crisis Intervention
 - Recreation programs
 - Aftercare services for youth after they leave the shelter

Transitional Living Program

- Our **Transitional Living Program (TLP)** for **Older Homeless Youth** supports projects that provide long-term residential services to homeless youth. Young people must be between the ages of 16 and 22 to enter the program.
- **Living accommodations** may include:
 - Host-family homes
 - Group homes or maternity group homes
 - Supervised apartments owned by the program or rented in the community
- **TLPs** offer or refer for the following services:
 - **Safe, stable living accommodations**
 - **Basic life skills building**, including consumer education, budgeting, housekeeping, food preparation and parenting skills
 - **Educational opportunities**, such as GED preparation, post-secondary training and vocational education
 - **Job attainment services**, such as career counseling and job placement
 - **Mental health care**, including individual and group counseling
 - **Physical health care**, such as physicals, health assessments and emergency treatment

Maternity Group Homes

- The **Maternity Group Homes for Pregnant and Parenting Youth (MGH) Program** supports homeless pregnant and/or parenting young people, as well as their dependent children. Youth must be between the ages of 16 and 22 to enter the program.
- In addition to standard TLP services, MGH programs offer an array of comprehensive services to teach:
 - Parenting skills
 - Child development
 - Family budgeting
 - Health and nutrition