



PROGRAMS & SERVICES



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What is Orangewood Foundation?

At Orangewood Foundation, we envision a community where every youth thrives. Today we are one of the leading providers of services to over 2,000 transitional age youth in Orange County, California annually. Orangewood programs focus on health & wellness, housing, life skills & employment, and education.



MISSION

To strive for equity for our youth by valuing and supporting the life they envision

VISION

We envision a community where every youth thrives

VALUES

Respect, Trust, Empathy, Inclusion, and Advocacy



Independent Living Program

The Independent Living Program (ILP) provides workshops and one-on-one guidance and support services through case management to help you prepare for independence. Our goal is to help you learn and experience the independent living skills necessary for adulthood.

Who is eligible?

- Youth in foster care ages 16 - 21
- Youth formally in foster care with housing vouchers ages 21-25



Services

- Fun and interesting workshops on daily living, relationships, education and careers
- Incentives for attending and participating in the workshops
- One-on-one assistance with self-sufficiency planning including housing, college and career decisions
- Housing stabilization funding for youth
- Special annual events that feature fun, hands-on learning



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Lyon Workforce Academy

The General William Lyon Workforce Academy offers young adults the opportunity of an exciting career path through an employment program in construction and related building trades. You will gain hands-on experience during a one-year paid training program with one of our corporate partners.

Who is eligible?

- Youth ages 18-25
- Have high school diploma or equivalent
- Ability to pass a preemployment drug screening
- Authorization to work in the US



Services

- 1:1 employment coaching and support
- Job-readiness workshops including resume preparation and interview practice
- Transportation assistance
- Clothing assistance
- Financial support as needed on a case-by-case basis



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Grants

Orangewood Foundation grants are available, by application, to offer financial assistance for qualifying expenses.

Who is eligible?

Dependent Grant:

- Orange County youth currently in foster care, up to age 18

Independent Grant:

- Current/Former Orange County youth in foster care over 18 years old
- Young adults connected to Orangewood Foundation, residing in OC



Services

Dependent grants -

Up to \$250 per year for (but not limited to):

- Campus activities & items
- Organized extracurricular activities
- IDs or passports
- Plus up to \$300 for driver's education

Independent grants -

Up to \$500 per year for (but not limited to):

- Groceries and household items
- Work needs
- Plus up to \$300 for driver's education



Undergraduate Scholarship

Orangewood Foundation scholarships offer financial assistance and staff support to help you accomplish your educational goals in community college, 4-year university or an approved trade school.



Who is eligible?

- Current/Former youth in foster care
- Young adults connected to Orangewood Foundation, residing in Orange County

Services

- Up to \$3,312 per academic year for community college or trade school expenses including tuition, books, school supplies, and living expenses
- Up to \$5,904 per academic year for 4-year university expenses including tuition, books, school supplies, and living expenses
- Access to staff who can assist with referrals and linkages to other Orangewood services



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Advanced Studies Fund (ASF) Scholarship

Advanced Studies scholarships are for youth who want to pursue an advanced degree (Masters, Doctorate, or specialized training). Scholars are connected with the current cohort of scholarship recipients and Orangewood staff for support throughout the year with quarterly check ins. Scholars can seek resource support, mentorship and networking connections amongst alumni and donors.

Who is eligible?

- Current/Former Orange County youth in foster care
- Youth seeking post-undergraduate education



Services

- Funding for school expenses or living expenses while earning your degree. Scholarship amounts each year are dependent on funds available and the number of qualified applicants
- The opportunity to socialize with other Advanced Studies students and donors throughout the year



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Mentoring

As a participant in the mentoring service, youth will be matched with a positive, supportive, consistent adult who has shared interests and hobbies. Our hope is that the connection with a mentor will enrich the life of the youth and increase their opportunities for success.

Who is eligible?

- Youth ages 18+
- Residents of Orange County



Services

- Individualized 1:1 guidance and support
- Encouragement and praise
- In Person outings 2x per month with a mentor
- Assistance with personal, educational, and professional goals
- Participate/engage in fun activities with a mentor (shared meals, hiking, sporting events, cooking, arts & crafts. etc.)
- Bi-monthly workshops
- Independent Living, relationship building, and communication skills
- Mentoring events with other participants
- Resources



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Orangewood Resource Center

The Orangewood Resource Center (ORC) is available to assist you with services needed to become independent. Our goal is to provide you with individualized guidance and assistance to help you live independently. The ORC is your one-stop for information on other Orangewood services and referrals to other organizations that can help you.

Who is eligible?

- Youth ages 18 - 24



Services

- Free use of computers, telephone, copier, fax machine, and washer/dryer
- Access to employment leads
- Information on shelters and housing resources
- Assistance for educational options after high school
- Information and assistance regarding health problems
- Access to food, hygiene items and clothing
- Hot meals available
- Shower available as time permits
- Access to mobile medical clinic
- On-site counseling and support group



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Project CHOICE

Project CHOICE is a drop-in center for youth. This space is a safe, judgment-free environment where youth receive services and support. Our team provides support to empower youth through a survivor-centered and strength based approach, prioritizing the health, safety, and stability of each youth.

Who is eligible?

- Youth ages 11-21 who are in or at risk of trafficking situations



Services

- Hot meals & snacks
- Case management
- Showers, laundry, clothing and hygiene items
- Computer & printing services
- Quiet place to rest
- Individual therapy
- Workshops and empowerment sessions like yoga, art and drumming circle
- Activities and fun outings
- Health Education
- Young mom's group
- Survivor leadership & peer mentors



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Young Adult Court

Young Adult Court provides an opportunity for youth who are first-time nonviolent felony offenders to reduce or dismiss their convictions. Through the 18-month program, youth are guided through one-on-one case management that explores health and wellness options, career advancement, and more.



Who is eligible?

- Male youth ages 18-24 in the Court System

Services

- One-on-one case management services
- Job training/placement
- Housing
- Education
- Individualized wellness plan
- Substance Use Support
- Connection to individual/group therapy
- Family support
- Probation may end early
- Records may be expunged
- Felony convictions may be reduced or dismissed

*Partnership with the Orange County
Superior Court and UCI*



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Rising Tide

Rising Tide apartments, Flanders Pointe and Orange Tree, provide affordable and supportive transitional housing for young adults. Our goal is to help youth learn and experience the skills that are necessary to live independently.

Who is eligible?

- Youth (single or with children)
ages 18-25



Services

- Fully furnished apartment (including dishes, appliances, bed, etc.)
- Low and affordable rent
- Free access to computers with WiFi
- The opportunity to become financially stable and save money
- The opportunity to develop and pursue educational or career goals
- Assistance with gaining and maintaining employment



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Casa de Rosemary

Casa de Rosemary is a transitional home for young mothers and their child. Through this two-year program, young moms will become self-sufficient, self-empowered, and resilient. Workshops on healthy relationships and positive parenting skills are provided.

Who is eligible?

- Youth ages 18-21 with one infant child



Services

- One-on-one case management services
- Safety planning
- Life skills
- Money Management
- Employment
- Education
- Parenting skills
- Child development
- Healthy relationship building



Lighthouse & Graduate Apartments

The Lighthouse is a survivor-centered, trauma-informed, transitional housing program for youth ages 18-30, who are survivors of sex trafficking. Our home setting provides a caring and nurturing environment, with 24/7 support in a confidential location.

Who is eligible?

- Youth ages 18-30 who are survivors of sex trafficking
- Youth who identifies as female or nonbinary



Services

- Case management
- Safety & harm reduction planning
- Life skills
- Money management
- Employment support
- Education
- Relationship building
- Therapeutic Programs including healing art and equine
- Up to 4-year program
- 24/7 staff support
- Confidential location



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Youth Engagement

Connecting youth and young adults experiencing homelessness to existing housing resources in the community. In Collaboration with Covenant House Youth Shelter and United Way's Welcome Home OC Landlord Program we strive to assist youth through the entire process from emergency shelter to permanent housing.



Who is eligible?

- Youth experiencing homelessness ages 18-24



Services

- Emergency Housing
- Transitional Housing
- Permanent Housing
- Case Management
- Life Skills
- Employment
- Education Support Therapy
- Basic needs such as food, groceries, hygiene etc.

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Youth Engagement: Housing Navigation

Housing Navigation assists youth in finding a home through collaboration with community apartment complexes and funds for housing stability.

Who is eligible?

- Youth ages 18-30
- Resident of Orange County
- Must be in long-term housing
- Applicant must have consistent income to be able to pay monthly expenses
- Impacted by a crime



Services

- Financial Support
- Deposit Assistance
- Move-In/expenses
- Furnishing expenses
- Utility deposits
- Housing Stability Funding
- Advocating and mediating on youth's behalf



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Youth Connected

Youth Connected Program (YCP) works in partnership with Samueli Academy to provide an on-campus dorm, along with academic assistance, to youth. As a licensed, private Resource Family Agency, youth receive support from caregivers and staff 24/7.

Who is eligible?

- Youth in foster care grades 7-12



Services

- On-campus dorm
- Academic support
- Admission to Samueli Academy with innovative learning facilities and a student-driven culture
- Access to a wide range of sports, clubs, and student activities on campus
- Receive assistance with personal, educational, and professional goals
- Fun bonding activities such as movie and game nights

This program, wholly or in part, is funded through County, State, and Federal Government funds.



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