

FOSTER YOUTH TO INDEPENDENCE (FYI) PROGRAM

COMMUNITY PARTNERS:

The FYI program is a collaborative effort between the following organizations:

*Abilene Housing Authority (AHA)

*2INGage (PCWA)

*Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas (WSWCT)

*BCFS Health & Human Services (BCFS HHS)

*Texas Department of Family & Protective Services (DFPS)

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

To provide Housing Choice Vouchers to youth (18-24 years of age) aging out-of-foster care and to assist in preventing homelessness. Eligible youth are also offered supportive services to assist them in becoming self-sufficient.

What Else Do I Need to Know:

Frequently asked questions about the FYI Program:

Q: How do I apply for the FYI Program?

A: Applicants can apply for the program by visiting the Abilene Housing Authority's website at www.abileneha.org and confirming the preference and by emailing 2INGage at pal@2ingage.org.

Q: Do I have to utilize the supportive services?

A: No, the program only provides supportive services if you want to utilize them. If you choose to participate in supportive services, WSWCT and/or BCFS HHS will provide the services.

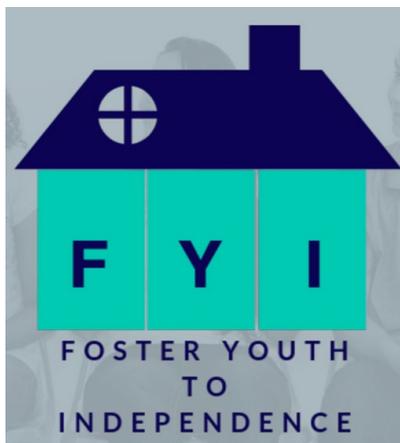
Q: Who qualifies applicants for the program?

A: Initially, applicants are qualified by 2INGage, as having met the program requirements for aging out-of-foster care and then AHA will determine their final eligibility for the program.

Q: How many vouchers are available for the FYI Program?

A: AHA has access to 25 FYI vouchers.

“A HOUSE is made of walls & beams; A HOME is built with LOVE & DREAMS.” - Unknown



Preventing Homelessness



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