

2022 Snapshot

To our members, partners, supporters, and colleagues who make up the iFoster community, thank you for making 2022 a remarkable year! Last year we continued our rich history of collective action making substantive progress in improving the lives of young people in foster care. The accomplishments captured below are not just iFoster successes but are the manifestations of our community's commitment to ensure that every child growing up outside of their biological home has the resources and opportunities they need to become successful, independent adults. Thanks again for such an impactful 2022— with your help and support we know the best is yet to come!



iFOSTER RESOURCES

Equitable Access to Resources.



Largest National Community

Representing the full diversity of lived experiences connecting youth in care to the resources they need to succeed.

Resource Distribution

A powerful combination of live support, peer navigation, and 24/7 self-serve through iFoster's online resource portal

26,754 Members received 80,262 resources through live help for housing, emergency funds, free tech (phones, laptops), government ID, government benefits, scholarships, tutoring and more!

43,521 Members went self-serve through our online portal and accessed \$195.8 Million in iFoster negotiated discounts including free products and services.

71,485

MEMBERS

- 44,964 Caregivers
- 22,540 Transition-Age Youth
- 3,980 Agencies



FUN FACT:
Most Caregivers use the iFoster portal between 2am and 4am



\$25,000+

IN EMERGENCY FUNDS PROVIDED TO MEMBERS covering groceries, hygiene products and hotel vouchers.

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DISCOUNTS ACCESSED ONLY THROUGH THE PORTAL members received discounts on daily expenses including clothing, entertainment, food, phone service, transportation, etc. through out iFoster discount programs



1:1 Development Support

such as tutoring, mentoring, and life coaching has positively impacted the outcomes of foster youth. By preparing youth for academic success and post-secondary life, 1 on 1 Development deepens the future workplace talent pipeline in a meaningful way.

4,760

HOURS OF PEER NAVIGATOR SUPPORT

778

HOURS OF FREE K-12 TUTORING

400

SCHEDULED LIFE COACHING SESSIONS

iFOSTER SUCCESS

A promising practice jobs program for foster youth employment = largest employer of transition-age foster youth (TAY) in child welfare



TAY Interns Accomplishments

- Outreached to 34,231 youth, caregivers and agencies to inform them of iFoster's supportive services and resources
- Helped 6,266 youth complete applications for needed resources
- Scheduled 127,211 life-saving medical appointments for CA's most vulnerable residents at FQHC community health clinics
- Coordinated clean-up help for 537 families during floods in KY and hurricane Ian in FL

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transition-age foster youth were provided with jobs skills training and paid work experience in social service and healthcare career pathways

iFOSTER HOPE

Raising awareness & funds for the entire foster care community by investing in local foster youth and agency partners.



Voice of the Community

- Year 1: Participation of 2,411 TAY, caregivers and front-line workers from 49 states plus DC made it the largest survey of the child welfare community ever
- Congressional Caucus on Foster Youth & State Legislators briefed on findings
- Year 1: Recognized by Casey Family Program's Vital New Research in its field
- Year 2: survey has 4,510 TAY, caregivers and front-line workers responding with results to be published May, 2023

Expanded Impacts



- Medicaid now funds access to iFoster services and resources including free technology in 3 states (KY, OH, WV) as a value added health benefit for foster youth
- iFoster Phones for Foster Youth program approved unanimously by the California Public Utilities Commission to become a approved program under California LifeLife providing free smartphones with free unlimited voice, text, data and hotspot capabilities to CA foster youth age 13 to 26
- iFoster selected to launch the biggest Guaranteed Income research project measuring the impact of providing "no strings attached" monthly cash stipends to youth as they age out of the foster care system. The goal is to inform the field of the potential of GI to help youth achieve self-sufficiency as they age out of foster care.