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Tevis Barnes
Housing and Human Services
Culver City Housing Authority

Dear Ms. Barnes,

We are writing to express our commitment to partnering with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Culver City Housing Authority (CCHA) to support the Foster Youth Independence (FYI) Voucher program. Both CYC and S.P.Y. are dedicated to providing support to foster youth transitioning into independence. Through this letter, we affirm our commitment to the following key areas of partnership:

Referral Services: Our organizations will actively participate in providing referrals of potential FYI participants to DCFS to confirm eligibility.

Housing Coordination and Support Services: We will work closely with DCFS and FYI Voucher holders to coordinate efforts aimed at securing housing options. We will support youth in their housing search as well as providing comprehensive supportive services such as case management, educational support, and access to community resources to support youth in maintaining housing.

Outreach to Property Owners: Recognizing the critical need for housing options, we will actively engage in outreach efforts targeted at Culver City property owners. By highlighting the benefits of participating in the FYI program, we aim to increase the number of available housing units for FYI participants.

Thank you for all your work and we look forward to the opportunity to collaborate with you and make a positive impact on the lives of former foster youth and Culver City residents.

Sincerely,

Kate Teague
Los Angeles Community Advocacy Coordinator
California Youth Connection

Erika Hartman
Chief Executive Officer
Safe Place for Youth