THE SAN FRANCISCO FOSTER YOUTH HIGHER EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE

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Legal Services for Children
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FOSTER YOUTH HIGHER EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE OVERVIEW:

- **Purpose:**
The Subcommitte seeks to create a college-going culture in the San Francisco foster care community and share information and resources to foster youth pursuing post-secondary education.

- **Members:**
- San Francisco Unified School District
- Legal Services for Children
- SF Court Appointed Special Advocate
- California Youth Connection
- SF Human Services Agency
- City College of San Francisco
- San Francisco State University
- Independent Living Skills Program
- Group Home

HISTORY

- **History:**
  - **2012-13 School Year**
    - Established a subcommittee of the AIR12 local workgroup to focus on educational needs of transitioning foster youth.
  - **2013-14 School Year**
    - Subcommitte subsidied with the lack of an agency lead.
  - **2014-15 School Year**
    - Re-launched by Legal Services for Children with a focus on:
      - Financial aid
      - College enrollment and retention.
      - High School graduation.
      - Summer enrichment programs.
      - Students with disabilities.
      - Career Technical Education, and
      - Resources for foster youth both on and off campus.
MEETING AGENDAS

- Meeting Structure:
  - Monthly Meetings at City College of San Francisco
  - Facilitated Topics based on priority of need and interest, Covered topics included:
    - Special Education
    - A-G requirements
    - Coordinating counseling services in high school
    - North-South Transportation outreach
    - How to support students on campus
    - Trauma healing, social skills
    - Housing for students
  - Open Forum - case conferences on available resources to specific student needs
  - Special Projects - designed to help bring awareness and accessibility to resources and information. Projects included:
    - Local Higher Education Summit
    - Higher Education Passport and Guide

SUBCOMMITTEE OUTCOMES

- Sharing Sharing
- Higher Education Summit
- Higher Education Passport
- SF Youth Collaborative Last Serv
- SPUSD High School Site Visits

CONTINUING THE JOURNEY:
CREATING A PATH FOR HIGHER EDUCATION FOR SAN FRANCISCO'S YOUTH

- Planning
- Implementation
- Evaluation
- Action

WHEN:
May 8, 2015
9:00AM to 4:00PM
WHERE:
City College of San Francisco
Higher Education Passport

Purpose of the Passport:
Provide foster youth in SF with a tool for higher education resources. Create an intensive way for youth and their service providers to keep track of their progress towards achieving post-secondary education.

Available at: http://www.msdp.gov/library/resources/child/foster_youth/higher_education_passport.pdf

Who's Using the Passport
- San Francisco Unified School District
  - Foster Youth Services (FYS) Liaisons and FYS Case Management Interns
- San Francisco Independent Living Skills Program
- San Francisco Court Appointed Special Advocates
- San Francisco State University
  - Guardian Scholars Program

Tips for Creating a Collaborative in Your County
- Identify lead agency and facilitator
- Identify and reach out to key stakeholders
  - College guardian scholars programs
  - K-12 foster youth support staff (AE400 District Liaison or FYS County-wide Coordinator)
  - Current and former foster youth
  - Placing agencies (Child Welfare, Probation)
- Identify concrete tasks and goals that impact policy change and/or implementation of best practices
- Plan a culminating event after one year to include larger community
Questions?

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Find this passport and more at www.sfhighered.org/passport

To Julie Peng for designing the Passport booklet.

Youth Higher Education Sub-Committee. A special thanks to
high schools with support from the members of the San Francisco Foster
San Francisco Human Services Agency; the Public Foundation
Scholar Program; California Youth Connection; San Francisco
Juvenile Probation; City College of San Francisco; Cabrillo
Community College; San Francisco Unified School District; Foster Youth Services; San Francisco
Created by Legal Services for Children San Francisco

Give all support and encouragement
and in case of need to
permit the youth named herein to pursue post-secondary
SubCommittee hereby requests all whom it may concern to
The San Francisco Foster Youth Higher Education

TOUR GUIDES:

GET ORGANIZED

High School Graduation

1) Participate in education workshops offered by LSP.
2) Create a Student Planner through www.cautementor.org
3) Keep a copy of your report cards, transcripts, individualized education plan (IEP), honor/ awards, community service and test scores.
4) Make an appointment with your high school counselor and foster youth liaison to make sure you’re on track.

SAN FRANCISCO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

SAN FRANCISCO

Date of Birth

Given Name

Surname

Education Sub-Committee

SAN FRANCISCO FOSTER YOUTH HIGHER

Passport

Issued by the San Francisco Foster Youth Higher Education Subcommittee
Guardian Scholars Summer Academy
The Summer Academy is a six-week program designed to prepare current or former foster youth in their junior to senior year of high school or entering college freshmen for a smooth transition from high school to college. The program provides free tuition, books, supplies, and career exploration. Students of the program are also provided with a meal and transportation allowance. Students can earn high school and college credit during the program. You can get more information and an application form from your social worker.

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Foster Youth Services
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webbmt@sfsud.edu

NEED A GUIDEBOOK?
Check out the CA College Pathways Foster Youth Educational Planning Guide!
www.cacollegetheways.org

Know Your Rights
There are several laws that protect the educational rights of foster youth. Talk to your attorney if you have questions about what your rights are while you are in high school and in foster care.

AB 490 – ENSURING EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND STABILITY FOR FOSTER YOUTH
Makes sure that foster youth have the same educational opportunities and resources as other students during K-12. Gives the right to immediate enrollment even if all school records are not available, the calculation of partial credits, the right to remain in the child’s school of origin even if placement changes, and timely transfer of school records.

TOUR GUIDES:
High School Counselor, ILSP College Financial Aid Office

WHAT IS THE FAFSA?
The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) is a form that has to be filled out every year so you can have access to federal financial aid. You should fill out your FAFSA in January because the deadline is March 2nd.

**Complete your FAFSA Online at www.fafsa.ed.gov**

**Make sure to answer “yes” to the questions asking if you have been in foster care since the age of 13 or asking if you were a “dependent or ward of the court” at any time after the age of 13.**
WHAT IS THE BOG FEE WAIVER?
The Board of Governors ("BOG") Fee Waiver waives enrollment fees at California community colleges. You can submit the application online at home.cccapply.org.

WHAT IS THE CAL GRANT?
Cal Grants provide state funding up to $12,000 to pay for any qualifying college or career and technical education school in California. You do not have to pay the money back and you may use it for tuition, books, room and board, or books depending on which type of Cal Grant you get.

1) Complete and file your FAFSA or California Dream Act Application by March 2nd.
2) Submit a Cal Grant GPA Verification Form by March 2nd. (Some high schools submit this for students and some do not so make sure to ask a high school counselor!)

WHAT IS THE CHAFEE GRANT?
The Chafee Grant is a grant of up to $5000 per school year for college or career and technical training. You do not have to pay the amount back. To qualify for a Chafee Grant, you must be a current or former foster youth and were in foster care after the age of 16.

1) Complete and file your FAFSA by March 2nd.
2) Submit the application for the Chafee Grant online at www.chafee.csac.ca.gov.

HOW DO I KEEP TRACK OF MY CHAFE OR CAL GRANT APPLICATIONS?
You can view the status of your Chafee or Cal Grant Applications at www.webgrants4students.org.

TOUR GUIDES:
High School Counselor, ILSP, Social Worker, CASA, Attorney, ECPS, Foster Youth Success Initiative (FYSI), Liaison, Campus Guardian Scholars Program

Every California Community College has a Foster Youth Success Initiative ("FYSI") Liaison who is committed to helping you access college and community resources. You can find a list of all the FYSI Liaisons in California here: www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/fy/cwjdcontacts.asp
ORIENTATION AND ENROLLMENT IN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Each California Community College has its own online application process. You can access the online applications at home.cccapply.org.

After applying online, you will need to take an Assessment Test to determine your placement in the right classes. Contact your school's admissions office to find out when and where to take your assessment test.

You can either attend your community college orientation in person or online.

During the enrollment process at your community college, you can choose your classes. Check out www.stepforward.cccco.edu to take advantage of priority registration for current and former foster youth.

Where to go for extra help:
- Financial Aid Office
- Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS)
- Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS)
- Academic Counseling

TOUR GUIDES:
High School Counselor, ILSP, Social Worker, CASA, Attorney, EOP, Campus Guardian Scholars Program

A-G REQUIREMENTS

The A-G / College Entrance Requirements are a sequence of high school courses that students must complete (with a grade of C or better) to be eligible for admission to the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU).

You can get a list of A-G courses from your high school counselor or at www.csumentor.edu or www.ucop.edu.

You can also begin at a community college and then transfer to a CSU or UC school. For help with transferring, see your academic counselor or seek support from your EOP office or Guardian Scholars office.
DESTINATION
Cal State or UC Systems

I have completed all of my A-G requirements and meet eligibility to apply to a Cal State or UC School!

If I'm already in Community College, I have made an appointment with an academic counselor to talk about transferring to the Cal State or UC System!

DESTINATION
Career Technical Education (CTE) or Vocational Programs

TOUR GUIDES:
High School Counselor, ILSP, EOPS, Campus Guardian Scholars Program, Academic Counselor, FYSI Liaison

Career and Technical Education (or "CTE") and Vocational Programs cover a variety of subjects and a certificate in one of these programs can be the first step towards your career. You can also use the certificates and training from these programs to earn your Associate's or Bachelor's Degree later on.

Some CTE Programs Include:
- Agriculture and Natural Resources
- Arts, Media, and Entertainment
- Building Trades and Construction
- Education, Child Development, and Family Services
- Energy and Utilities
- Engineering and Design
- Fashion and Interior Design
- Finance and Business
- Health Science and Medical Technology
- Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
- Information Technology
- Manufacturing and Product Development
- Marketing, Sales, and Service
- Public Services; and Transportation
- And Many More!

Each school offers different programs so contact an academic counselor for guidance with which type of program you are interested in. Make sure to still complete your FAFSA, Cal Grant Application, and BOG Fee Waiver by March 2nd.
The 2015 Career and Technical Education Guide from City College of San Francisco is available here: www.ccsf.edu/dam/Organizational_Assets/Department/Career_And_Technical_Education/2015%20CTE_Guide.pdf
DESTINATION
Career Technical Education (CTE) or Vocational Programs

I have a list of my top choices for Career and Technical Education Programs!

I made an appointment with an academic counselor to ask questions about how to enroll in a CTE Program!

I understand how I can use CTE towards an Associate’s or Bachelor’s degree!

DESTINATION
Supports on Campus

TOUR GUIDES:
EOPS, FYSI Liaison, Campus Guardian Scholars Program, DSPS

EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (EOPS)
EOPS helps students who have some social, economic, or educational disadvantages that make enrolling in college difficult. You should apply for EOPS since many foster youth are eligible for the services offered through EOPS such as academic counseling, book vouchers, priority registration, and extra support with questions about classes and financial aid.

DESTINATION
Supports on Campus

DISABLED STUDENTS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (DSPS)
If you have a disability or needed extra help or accommodations in high school (maybe you had an “IEP” or 504 Plan), you should connect with your campus DSPS office for extra help. DSPS supports students with disabilities—including learning disabilities—through college to achieve their goals.

FOSTER YOUTH HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT PROGRAMS
Some colleges have programs specifically to support foster youth on campus. These programs are typically called “Guardian Scholars” or “Renaissance Scholars.” You can contact the school directly to find out what they offer.

DESTINATION
Supports on Campus

SINGLE STOP AT CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FRANCISCO
Helps students at City College of San Francisco receive basic necessities such as Food Stamps, health care coverage, cash assistance, etc. Through the Single Stop office, students can receive comprehensive screening and application assistance to connect them to critical benefits they may be eligible for, but not necessarily accessing, including: health care, food assistance programs (Food Stamps), PG&E discounts, and more. Help is also available for students such as low income childcare, and legal referrals.

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**INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS PROGRAM (ILSP)**

First Place for Youth helps foster youth build the skills they need to make successful transition to self-sufficiency and responsible adulthood. First Place works to ensure that all foster youth have the opportunity to experience a safe and supported transition from foster care. Services provided include: Education, Employment, Family Finding & Permanency, Resource & Referral.

**San Francisco Independent Living Skills Program**
First Place for Youth  
30 Harriet Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103  
800-818-2989 or 415-230-3980  
Hours: Monday - Friday 10am - 6pm

**JOBS NOW**

JOBSNOW! Program will provide job opportunities for those who receive employment services from the Human Services Agency. Contact your Employment Specialist or call 1-877-JOBSNOW if you are interested in the JobsNOW! program.

**JVS**

Help with finding a job, training and resources.  
www.jvs.org/job-seekers/

**SF4TAY.ORG**

SF4TAY.org is an online citywide resource guide for services and programs for young adults. Check this site out for a comprehensive listing of housing, education, employment and health opportunities and resources in San Francisco.  
www.sf4tay.org

**CALIFORNIA YOUTH CONNECTION (CYC)**

California Youth Connection engages foster youth in the policy making process. CYC foster youth leaders ages 14-24 have created a fundamental paradigm shift in child welfare policy in California, ensuring that foster youth are at the center of child welfare policymaking for the first time in history. Core CYC activities include:

- State & Local Advocacy
- Training & Sharing of Best Practices
- Youth Development & Leadership
- Outreach & Community Education

www.calyouthconn.org

**LARKIN STREET YOUTH SERVICES**

Larkin Street's comprehensive education and employment service, Larkin Street Academy, provides young people with the opportunities, resources, and guidance they need to succeed. From schooling to immediate work to soft skills training to career-track experience, Larkin Street Youth Services works with each of our youth to ensure that they are getting the education and developing the employment skills they need to successfully create an independent and successful life off of the street.  
www.larkinstreetyouth.org
ONE DEGREE - 1DEG.ORG
San Francisco-based website that makes it easy to find, manage, and share community resources, including many found in this passport. They have thousands of resources across the Bay Area for help with everything from food and housing, to health care and education. Save and share your favorite resources, and access them all on your mobile phone. Visit www.1deg.org to get started.

CALIFORNIA COLLEGE PATHWAYS
Resources for foster youth and their supporters to help them succeed at community colleges, vocational schools, and four-year universities.
www.cacollepathways.org

CCCAPPLY
Apply to California Community Colleges. General financial aid information. home.cccapply.org

ALAMEDA COUNTY MAP TO HIGHER EDUCATION
Great resource for Alameda County colleges and supports.
www.cacollepathways.org/sites/default/files/ebclo_mapshigheredu.pdf

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DESTINATION Key Contacts

Social Worker
Name: __________________________
Phone Number: __________________
Email: __________________________

Education Specialist at ILSP
Name: __________________________
Phone Number: __________________
Email: __________________________

Foster Youth Liaison in my School District
Name: __________________________
Phone Number: __________________
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Foster Youth Liaisons in San Francisco and Nearby Counties (If You Are Still in High School)

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SFUSD Foster Youth Services

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Phone Number: ________________________
Email: ________________________________
Name: ________________________________
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HELPFUL COLLEGE CONTACTS FOR FOSTER YOUTH IN SAN FRANCISCO AND NEARBY COUNTIES

City College of San Francisco
Guardian Scholars Program
50 Phelan Avenue
Multi-Use Building, Rm. 298
415-239-3479

San Francisco State
Guardian Scholars Program
1600 Holloway Ave., SSB 201
415-405-0546

Laney College (Oakland)
EOPS/CARE/b2b Program
900 Fallon Street
Building A, Room 106
510-464-3423

Merritt College (Oakland)
EOPS/CARE Program
12500 Campus Drive
Student Center, Building R, Room R-109
510-436-2470 or 510-436-2476

Cal State East Bay (Hayward)
Renaissance Scholars Program
25800 Carlos Bee Blvd.
Student Academic Services, LI-2500
510-885-4426

Chabot College (Hayward)
EOPS
25555 Hesperian Blvd.
Room 767L, Building 700
510-723-6909

Berkeley City College
EOPS/CARE Program
2050 Center Street, Rm 342
510-981-2832

UC Berkeley
Cal Independent Scholars Network Program
109 Cesar Chavez Student Ctr.
510-642-6151

Skyline College (San Bruno)
3300 College Drive
Financial Office, Bldg. 2
FYSI Liaison: 650-738-4390

College of Marin (San Anselmo)
Guardian Scholars
415-847-8031
Core Planning Committee for “Continuing the Journey” Summit:
Semuteh Freeman, Legal Services for Children
Maya Webb, SFUSD Foster Youth Services
Carol Belle-Thomas Moss, CCSF Guardian Scholars
Hannah Nerehausen, SF CASA
Heather Bruemmer, SF Juvenile Probation
Kate Teague, California Youth Connections
Steve Nelson, United Way of the Bay Area/CCSF Guardian Scholars
Kelly Gilliam, FD Homes/Nalls Foundation
Nef Franks, California Youth Connections

About the Foster Youth Higher Education Subcommittee:

In an effort to support foster youth in extended foster care in San Francisco County, the AB12 Local Working Group formed in 2013 to bring together stakeholders in the foster care community in San Francisco. To focus on higher education, the Foster Youth Higher Education Subcommittee is a subgroup of the AB12 Local Working Group which meets monthly at City College of San Francisco to discuss some of the main barriers to success in higher education for foster youth.

Bringing together members from SFUSD Foster Youth Services, SF CASA, ILSP, City College of San Francisco Guardian Scholars Program, SF Juvenile Probation, SF Human Services Agency, SFUSD, Legal Services for Children, CYC, caregivers, as well as current and former foster youth, the Subcommittee seeks to create a college-going culture in the San Francisco foster care community and share information and resources to better serve foster youth pursuing post-secondary education.

Since its relaunch in 2014, the Subcommittee has focused on issues including financial aid, college enrollment and retention, high school graduation, summer enrichment programs, students with disabilities, and resources for foster youth both on and off campus.

Continuing the Journey: Building Pathways to Higher Education for San Francisco Foster Youth
is the culmination of over a year of efforts by the Subcommittee to bring issues concerning post-secondary education to the forefront of the foster youth community in San Francisco.

For more information about the Subcommittee or to attend our monthly meetings,

please contact: Semuteh Freeman (Semuteh@lsc-sf.org)
FREE AND OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY!

CONTINUING THE JOURNEY:
CREATING A PATHWAY TO HIGHER EDUCATION FOR SAN FRANCISCO'S FOSTER YOUTH

Join us for a day-long Summit focusing on the post-secondary achievement & educational outcomes of San Francisco foster youth!

FRIDAY, MAY 8 • 9:30am-4:15pm
CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FRANCISCO, MUB 140

Presentations
Hear from experts in the field including:
- Kathleen Casasa, FE91 Contact, CA Community Colleges Chancellor's Office
- Debbie Raucher, California College Pathways Director

Breakout Sessions
Learn and share best practices around topics such as:
- Financial Aid
- Supporting Youth On Campus Vocational Training & Certificate Programs
- Supporting Students with Disabilities from HS to College

Community Resource Fair
Find resources to support the foster youth you work with on and off campus
Have a table to share info about your program & services

TO REGISTER:
Copy and paste in your web browser:
Contact: Semutch Freeman at Semutch@lsc-sf.org
Continuing the Journey:
Building Pathways to Higher Education for
San Francisco Foster Youth
City College of San Francisco
May 8, 2015

9:00am
Registration and Light Breakfast

Morning Session
9:30am
Welcome and Ice Breaker

9:45am
Keynote Address
Kathleen Casela, Statewide Foster Youth Success Initiative Liaison Foundation for California Community Colleges
Judy Pasquinelli, Court Appointed Special Advocate

10:45am
Presentation
Debbie Raucher, John Burton Foundation, “Supporting Success - Post Secondary Education in the Era of AB12”

11:45am
Student Panel, Presented by California Youth Connections

12:45pm
Lunch

Afternoon Session
1:30pm
Break Out Sessions
Session 1: On Campus Supports for Foster Youth
Session 2: Supporting Foster Youth Off Campus
Session 3: Supporting Students with Disabilities from High School to College
Session 4: Vocational Training and Certificate Programs

2:30pm
Break

2:45pm
Youth Speaks

3:00pm
SF Higher Education Resource Guide in Collaboration with 1Deg.org

3:30pm
Closing

3:30pm - 4:30pm
Resource Fair
SUMMIT PROPOSAL
Continuing the Journey: Building Pathways to Higher Education for San Francisco Foster Youth

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<th>Increase the number of non-minor dependents in San Francisco County who successfully enroll in and complete post-secondary education</th>
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<td>Provide useful tools for advocates and stakeholders in the foster youth community in San Francisco to best assist foster youth achieve matriculation and graduation in post-secondary education.</td>
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| Purpose: | • To educate advocates and service providers on available resources both on and off campus for foster youth pursuing college/vocational training.  
• To foster communication and information sharing between SFUSD and programs available for foster youth at colleges and post-secondary institutions in San Francisco and the Bay Area.  
• To support foster youth with disabilities make a successful transition from high school to post-secondary education.  
• To introduce a SF Specific Higher Education resource in collaboration with 1Degree |
| Methods: | • Harness momentum of the Higher Education Subcommittee to invite stakeholders, community members, advocates, current and former foster youth to the Summit  
• Hold a resource fair at the end of the Summit for information sharing and networking  
• Foster and nurture college going culture among San Francisco non-minor dependents and their advocates  
• Brainstorm ideas for increased coordination of efforts and use these ideas as framework for future subcommittee meetings |
| Who: | San Francisco Foster Youth Higher Education Subcommittee is Planning the Event  
Host: City College of San Francisco  
Co-Sponsors (Members of the Core Event Planning Committee): Legal Services for Children, Skadden Foundation, City College of San Francisco Guardian Scholars Program, SF Juvenile Probation Department, California Youth Connection, SF CASA, SFUSD Foster Youth Services  
Partners (Members of the Subcommittee): SF State Guardian Scholars, SF ILSP, SF Human Services Agency, San Francisco Unified School District, John Burton Foundation, Catholic Charities, FD Homes, Larkin Street Youth Services, Department of Rehabilitation, 1Degree.org, SFUSD |
| When: | May 8, 2015  
9:00am-4:30pm |
| Where: | City College of San Francisco, MUB 140 |
| Core Planning Committee | Semuteh Freeman (LSC)  
Neff Franks (CYC)  
Hannah Nerenhausen (SF CASA)  
Maya Webb (FYS) |

Updated 3/20/2015
| Carol Belle-Thomas Moss (CCSF)  
| Heather Bruemmer (Juvenile Probation)  
| Kate Teague (CYC)  

**Next Steps:**

- Core Planning Committee meeting monthly following subcommittee meetings; Conference calls are held between monthly meetings.
- Secure Keynote Speaker-DONE
- Finalize Agenda-DONE
- Secure funding for event expenses (see draft budget)-PENDING

*Updated 3/20/2015*
### Expenses

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Keynote Speakers

Kathleen Casela

Statewide Foster Youth Success Initiative Liaison Foundation for California Community Colleges

Kathleen Casela has an extensive history advocating and promoting awareness of issues impacting foster and other at-risk youth populations. Kathleen began her career as a direct service provider, working with homeless and other at-risk youth through Larkin Street Youth Services and the San Francisco Independent Living Skills Program. Kathleen most recently served as a key consultant to a statewide effort to address mental health stigma and discrimination reduction in California.

Kathleen has been an active participant in several committees, both locally and statewide, highlighting challenges foster youth face in education, employment, accessing health/mental health services and housing. She has been an active member of Honoring Emancipate Youth, Co-Chair for the Transitional Youth Task Force, member and ally for the San Francisco California Youth Connection Chapter, Board Member for California Youth Empowerment Network and developed the Foster Care Alumni of America Bay Area Region.

Kathleen has experience in project management, coordination, facilitation, and policy and curriculum development. Kathleen’s knowledge, expertise and personal lived experience as an emancipated foster youth has allowed her to utilize her voice for making a positive change within the system. She is passionate about foster youth and desires to make a systemic impact for all foster youth to attain a college degree.

Judy Pasquinelli

Judy Pasquinelli grew up in Los Angeles, went to UC Berkeley for two years and graduated from San Francisco State University with a BA in Education and a MA with a specialty in remedial reading. After substitute teaching in the SF elementary school system for a few years, she raised her children in the city and switched careers to managing and owning restaurants for over twenty years.

After retiring from the restaurant business, she was looking for a volunteer experience and went through training to become a San Francisco CASA. Kathleen was her third assignment and spent two and half years advocating on her behalf. With the conclusion of their official relationship, a new relationship was launched, which has proved to be far more rewarding. Currently Judy has transitioned to a supporting role and friend of a most accomplished young adult, with whom she shares many milestone events.
Morning Presenter
Debbie Raucher
Project Director, John Burton Foundation

Debbie Raucher serves as a Project Director with the John Burton Foundation, providing leadership and strategic visioning for the California College Pathways initiative. In this role, Ms. Raucher provides technical assistance and training designed to improve postsecondary educational outcomes for foster youth along with implementation of a statewide advocacy agenda crafted to better address the needs of foster youth attending college. Ms. Raucher has worked in the social services field for over 20 years including extensive work in the areas of AB12 implementation and developing solutions to homelessness.

Youth Panel, Presented by California Youth Connections
Youth Panelists: Shanell Williams, Jasmine Valdez, Nina Nga Ho, Terrell Foster, and Daniel Harris-Lucas
Moderator: Miriam Ugarte

California Youth Connection (CYC) is a youth led organization that develops leaders who empower each other and their communities to transform the foster care system through legislative and policy change.

Youth Speaks
Jesse Crawford
Jesse is a senior of Oceana High School, current member of Spokes - Youth Speaks' youth advisory board, and one of the winners of the 2014 Teen Poetry Slam.

Shannon Matesky
Shannon is an artist, activist, and educator from Berkeley CA. Shannon’s poetry has been featured on HBO’s Def Poetry, stages around the nation, and embedded in her solo plays She Think She Grown and We Gotta Eat. Invested in peer-based pedagogy, Shannon has taught with organizations such as Youth Speaks, Young Chicago Authors, Step-Up Women's Network, Kuumba Lynx, DePaul University and in many other classrooms around the nation. A graduate of Depaul’s BFA Acting program, her recent theatrical credits include Quark (MPAACT), How Long Will I Cry? (Steppenwolf Theatre), The March (Steppenwolf Theatre), Hit The Wall (The Inconvenience, Steppenwolf Garage), Sophocles: Seven Sicknesses (The Hypocrites), and Sonnets For An Old Century (UrbanTheater, Steppenwolf Garage). Shannon also has assistant directed with the likes of Charles Newell and Chuck Smith. Shannon was the 2012 recipient of the Edes Foundation Prize and is a Theatrical Associate with The Inconvenience Theatrical Syndicate.
**BREAK-OUT SESSIONS**

**Break Out Session #1 - On Campus Supports for Foster Youth**

Shanina Shumate  
Laney College, b2b Coordinator

**Deborah Lowe Martinez**  
UC Berkeley, Director of Cal Independent Scholars Network

**Xochilt Sanchez-Zarama**  
SF State, Director of Guardian Scholars Program

**Steve Nelson**  
United Way of the Bay Area/City College of San Francisco Guardian Scholars Program

**Jocelyn Vila**  
FYSI Regional Director, Skyline College Guardian Scholars Program

**Break-Out Session #2 - Supporting Foster Youth Off Campus**

**Allie Fasth**  
City College of San Francisco, Single Stop Coordinator

**Onika Shabazz**  
JobsNow

**Terrell Foster**  
JobsNow

**Larry Berry**  
Matchbridge

**Kate Teague**  
Regional Coordinator, California Youth Connection
Break-Out Session #3- Supporting Students with Disabilities from High School to College

Bedford Williamson
SFUSD/TPP/POWS, Special Education Services

Laura Savage
SFUSD Special Education Services Ombudsman

Kathleen Duffy
City College of San Francisco, Disability Support Programs and Services

Maya Webb
SFUSD Foster Youth Services Coordinator

Break Out Session #4- Vocational Training and Certificate Programs

Matt Trocker
Laney College, Career and Technical Education

Ying Liu
Laney College, Career and Technical Education

Sharon Zimmern
SFUSD, Supervisor, College and Career Readiness

Emily Van Dyke
SFUSD, Program Administrator, College and Career Readiness

Kimanche Kithika
CityBuild

Erica Tom
City College of San Francisco Child Development Program

Lorna Shea
City College of San Francisco Culinary Program
1. Introductions

2. Goals for Subcommittee and Frequency of Meetings

3. New Teen Unit
   a. Education Check List (CASA, GOALS meetings, or ILSP)
   b. How to incorporate Teen Unit SW's in the subcommittee's goals

4. Previous Points of Discussion
   a. Youth Ambassador Program
   b. Peer Mentoring Program
   c. Resource Fair
   d. Pilot Program for 20-25 NMD's in college or who want to attend
   e. Strengthening support for out-of-county youth

5. College Trac or similar prep program beginning in middle school

6. Other issues

7. Confirm date and time of next meeting
San Francisco AB12 – Higher Education Subcommittee
Agenda – December 4, 2014
10:00am-11:30am; CCSF MUB 249

Welcome and Introductions

1. CCSF Guardian Scholars Update and Follow Up [Carol Belle Thomas Moss, Students]

2. Higher Education Convening/Summit
   a. Committee
   b. Venue/Date
   c. Higher Education Road Map and 1deg App launch

3. Know Your Rights Presentation at ILSP
   a. Dates
   b. Target Groups?
   c. Partners? (FYS interns, GS students, etc.)

4. Guardian Scholars Summer Academy
   a. Publicity and Timelines
   b. Outreach

5. Guardian Scholars Mentorship Program?

6. Subcommittee Goals for Next Year

7. Case Staffing

Schedule Next Meeting
Welcome and Introductions

1. Updates from Guardian Scholars Programs
   a. CCSF
   b. SF State
   c. Skyline

2. Updates from partners/members

3. CCSF Guardian Scholars Summer Academy

4. Larkin Street Youth Services, Larkin Academy [Joanna Martinez/Meghan Ennis/Nicole Hindes]

5. “Continuing the Journey: Building Pathways to Higher Education for San Francisco Foster Youth” Summit Debrief

6. CCSF Guardian Scholars Update and Follow Up [Carol, Steve, GS Students]

7. Plan to Roll Out Higher Ed Passport
   a. Key Partners: HSA, ISLP, CASA, FYS

8. SF Youth Collaborative List Serv

9. Subcommittee Check-in
   a. What’s Next?
   b. Stakeholders we aren’t reaching
   c. Goals for the Fall

Schedule Next Meeting