

BRIDGES

ARE YOU AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE IN OHIO?



This is your journey. Let us help you build a bridge towards a brighter future.

Bridges is a statewide program that provides housing and support for young adults between the ages of 18 and 21 who aged-out of foster care in the state of Ohio.

You could be eligible for this program if you are doing at least one of the following:

- ◆ Completing high school or an equivalent program (e.g. GED)
- ◆ Enrolled in college or a vocational education program
- ◆ Participating in a program or activity designed to promote, or remove barriers to, employment
- ◆ Employed for at least eighty hours per month
- ◆ Unable to do any of the above activities because of a physical or mental health condition documented by a qualified practitioner

Services and Supports:

- ◆ Housing
- ◆ Assistance with Rent, Utilities, Food, Clothing, Personal Incidentals and Transportation
- ◆ Life Skills Instruction
- ◆ Medicaid Coverage
- ◆ Community Resources
- ◆ Young Adult Driven Support

Bridges is a voluntary program expected to begin by the end of 2017!

"We are asking for a hand up, not a hand out. Someone to look up to, to lead by example."

- Melissa Stroud, OYAB



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