



**SHASTA COUNTY  
INDEPENDENT  
LIVING PROGRAM**

**PROGRAM BULLETIN**

**April 2006**

Boys Rap and Girl's Circle promotes resiliency, confidence, and connections for boys and girls. The kids will meet once a month, Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8pm at our Anderson office. We will have a gathering together for pizza the first hour and then break out into our groups. **We will only be able to take 10 girls and 10 boys per session. Please make sure that you sign up by calling Lisa Goza at 365-9260 ext 120. We will not take anyone who is not signed up on the night of the class!!**

The April experiential group will be put on by the California Conservation Core on April 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6:30pm at their office located at 4900 Mountain Lakes Blvd. Mountain Lakes Blvd is just off of Caterpillar Road, to George and then to Mountain Lakes. This is a chance to ask all those important questions about how the CCC can help you get a career started, finish high school and put away money for college.

Get Involved!! California Youth Connection needs your voice to help make changes to the foster care system. This organization was developed by foster youth. The youth members are between the ages of 14-24. Foster youth members are assisting their county and state in making the foster care system better and breaking the stereotypes of foster youth. Local meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday from 5:30-7pm at the CYC office, 1650 Oregon Street in Redding. For more information call Lisa or Hemal at 243-8450.

We will be holding our ILP Graduation on June 17<sup>th</sup> at Victor Youth Services. Make sure you save the date on your calendar. We will be celebrating youth graduating from high school; youth aging out of ILP and youth who have had exceptional growth in different areas this year. From 9am-12pm the youth who are graduating from high school and the youth who are aging out will be able to participate in a ropes and zip line course with the Victor Youth Services staff. We will be sending those youth a special invitation. Please make sure your name is on the list if you are graduating as you will need to have a permission slip signed to participate. From 12-4 we will have a BBQ and graduation ceremony followed by a dunk tank where you can dunk an ILP staff (we are all voting to dunk Cheril☺ please support our efforts). We will also have a DJ and possible softball game later. We would like any youth who would like to share their art, poetry, or other special talents sign up for a spot to show their items or time to share their poetry. We are looking forward to a great day!!! Social workers, probations officers and foster families please feel free to join us. We will have a sign up at a later date.

Teens 16 and up that are in placement are entitled to ILP services. If you know of a youth that has not been referred aged sixteen or up, who lives in a foster home or group home please contact ILP. ILP serves teens placed from other counties as well as Shasta County teens. In order for ILP to serve foster care youth, ILP requires a current Transitional Independent Living Plan completed by the youth with his or her county social worker or probation officer. The TILP is the responsibility of the county social worker or probation officer and should be completed every 6 months, starting at age 15.5. Former foster youth aged 16 to 21, who were in placement at 16 or older, can call Shasta County ILP for support in the areas of employment, housing, connecting with community resources and more. Contact ILP to determine eligibility.

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