Who Can I Count On?
 Supporting Youth Facing Homelessness in Identifying Natural Supports

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What do you need?

Sense of purpose  Independence  Spirituality  Soul
Fun  Helping others  Structure  Safety  Hope
Physical needs  Support  Peace  Self-love
Being good at something  Love  Honesty  Belonging

4 federal core outcomes for ending youth homelessness:
• Stable housing
• Permanent connections
• Education/employment
• Social-emotional well-being
Permanent Connections

The presence of supportive adults who will provide physical and emotional support throughout the young person’s life

Where would you have gone?

Who might become a permanent connection?
“Like the family I never had....”

Ask youth what they need and who they know!
What do you need?

Who's there for me?

What's missing in my life?
1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Who do I want to be in the future?
1.
2.
3.

My next steps to be that person:
1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Who's not in my circle?

Put it in writing!
Shared Expectations Hosting Agreement
Measuring Up
Youth-level Outcomes and Measures for System Responses to Youth Homelessness
https://youthcollaboratory.org/youth-outcomes-project-release

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