

Fostering Advocates Arizona

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We work to connect young adults leaving foster care with the information, resources and support they need to successfully transition to adulthood. Our work is guided by young people who have experienced foster care and partnerships with community service providers, government agencies, and key stakeholders.



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What Our Work is About

Fostering Advocates Arizona strives to make a difference for young adults transitioning out of foster care with improved outcomes.

- **Permanence** - A lifetime connection with an adult they can rely on and supportive family networks.
- **Education** - Resources to obtain an education and training to prepare them for a stable future.
- **Employment** - Resources and support to obtain and retain steady employment.
- **Financial Capability** - Gain financial literacy skills to manage their budgets, achieve their financial goals, and retain their assets.
- **Housing** - Safe, stable, and affordable housing with access to convenient transportation.
- **Physical, Dental and Mental Health** - Access to insurance with appropriate services for mental and physical health needs.
- **Social Capital** - A diverse network of connections to achieve their life goals.

How We Do Our Work

To better support systems that effectively and efficiently support young people and to improve outcomes for transitioning youth, **FAAZ values:**

- **Building** partnerships and resources to expand and deepen community support.
- **Creating** an array of opportunities and relationships to assist young people in gaining economic success.
- **Engaging** and preparing young people to make meaningful changes as decision makers and advocates.



- **Inspiring** and advancing public policies and practices that improve outcomes for young people transitioning from foster care.
- **Using** data to drive decision making and to document results.

Our Valued Partners

Many Arizona organizations and individuals – advocates, educators, colleges and universities, community service organizations, foster care alumni, state courts and more – support the goals of Fostering Advocates Arizona. Our planners and advisors include a Community Advisory Board and our Young Adult Leadership Board.

Children's Action Alliance (CAA) works to improve children's health, education and security through non-partisan research, education and advocacy. We gratefully acknowledge the generous support of the national Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative and Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust.

CAA serves as the lead agency for the initiative and supports the collaborative community and advocacy efforts of FAAZ.

Resource Hub

To find out more about resources and services available to young adults transitioning from foster care, check out our website at : www.fosteringadvocatesarizona.org.

Why I Joined the FAAZ Young Adult Leadership Board...

“I want others to succeed after aging out of foster care.”

—Brittany

“My passion is improving the lives of others. Because of my experience on the FAAZ Youth Leadership Board, I decided to major in Public Policy. With a career in public service, I'll leave Arizona a better place.”

—Frank

“I wanted the opportunity to contribute to a

system that molded and shaped me as a person and past dependent.”

—Jasmine