6 Ways to be a Champion

1. **Join Our Advocacy Network**
   Join Fostering Advocates Arizona advocacy network to stay informed on policies and issues that impact the young people transitioning from foster care in Arizona. Learn more @ azchildren.org/fostering-advocates-arizona-unveils-2016-priorities

2. **Mentor a Young Person in Foster Care**
   Every young person in foster care needs someone who encourages him or her to envision a better life. Be that person for a foster care young adult. Learn more @ https://www.arizonaschildren.org/transitional-support

3. **Become a Foster Parent**
   Loving and supportive foster families change lives. There's training to prepare families for this rewarding role and financial support to help along the way. Learn more @ https://dcs.az.gov/services/foster-care-and-adoption

4. **Serve as an Arizona Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)**
   CASAs are volunteers who visit young people, talk to them about their vision for their future, help advocate for what they need and guide them as they transition to adulthood. Learn more @ http://www.azcourts.gov/casa

5. **Volunteer for Arizona's Foster Care Review Board (FCRB)**
   FCRB volunteers engage with young people in foster care to learn if they are building permanent connections with caring adults and if they have a good housing plan. These volunteers may also make recommendations to the juvenile court. Learn More @ http://www.azcourts.gov/fcrb

6. **Be a Door Opener**
   Can you offer a young person in foster care a free hair cut? How about a direct line to a potential job? Maybe you can connect a young adult to an affordable place to live? Door openers are contacts that give young adults leaving foster care access to the same opportunities that other young people have simply by being part of a family. Think about your networks and what you can offer a young adult transitioning out of foster care. Email marrigo@azchildren.org

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