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Spread Holiday Cheer PHA AmeriCorps is HERE!

Nov/Dec Holiday Edition 2023

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As we dive into the festive holiday season, iFoster has lined up a host of programs and savings to make this time of year even more special for you. But that's not all! We have some thrilling news to share for LA County foster youth. Let's dive right in!

**Unlock Discounts with Ease:
iFoster Get Perks!**

**Save Big on Groceries &
More with iFoster Coupons!**

**'Tis the season to lean on
someone.**



At iFoster Perks powered by Abenity you'll find a treasure trove of offers, whether you prefer printing out coupons, downloading discounts to your mobile device, or utilizing discount codes for online purchases. The choice is yours, and the savings are limitless! Watch the video and learn now to into savings with iFoster Perks today!

Hey savvy shoppers! Exciting news! iFoster Members can now save up to \$50 a month on groceries with our awesome coupons. Access hundreds of coupons on your phone, clip the ones you want, and start saving. No more paper coupons! Spread the word and revolutionize how we save. Visit our website or contact us for more info. Happy couponing!

Whether the stress of the holiday season is getting to you, or you simply need someone to talk to just — text "HELLO" to 741741 anytime, day or night. And let a compassionate crisis counselors provide a shoulder to lean on.

Remember, you're not alone in this, if you need another hotline check out this list from Children's Bureau:

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Learn more

Transform your passion for healthcare into a dream career!

Get hands-on experience and make a difference with PHA TAY AmeriCorps - the newest internship program by iFoster!

No work experience required! You'll serve patients at Eisner Health community clinics while you learn healthcare skills and get a monthly stipend of **\$1,500** (yup, you read that right!).

Plus, you'll be first in line for interviews for permanent healthcare careers and be eligible for over **\$3,000 in post-education awards!**

Only for current or former foster youth aged 18-26 and residing in LA County with reliable transportation.

Ready to dive in? Apply now!

WANT A HEALTHCARE CAREER?

JOIN IFOSTER'S PUBLIC HEALTH AMERICORPS 10 MONTH PAID WORK EXPERIENCE

PHA TAY AmeriCorps is iFoster's newest AmeriCorps internship program providing hands-on work experience serving patients at Eisner Health community health clinics across LA County. Learn core healthcare skills, gain patient service experience, and make a meaningful impact in your community. Join iFoster's award-winning AmeriCorps programming and start your healthcare career.

<p>What is a PHA TAY AmeriCorps :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part-time work experience of 90 hours a month • 10 months starting Jan 1 to Oct 31, 2024 • Work will be split between virtual patient services call center and onsite at one of 4 Eisner Health clinics in a variety of departments (i.e. dental, dermatology, pediatrics, pharmacy, women's health). Interns will be matched to departments based on their interest and skills • Weekly professional development and healthcare training • \$1,500 monthly stipend (\$15,000 for 10 months) • \$3,000 post-secondary education award upon successful completion • First in line for interviews for permanent healthcare careers upon successful completion 	<p>TO APPLY YOU:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MUST be current/former foster youth no older than 26 and residing in LA County • MUST have reliable transportation to at least one of 4 Eisner Health locations: Downtown LA, Lynwood, Sherman Oaks, or Van Nuys • MUST be 18 or turning 18 before Nov. 1, 2024 • MUST be CalFresh or WIC enrolled or eligible • MUST commit to serving a minimum of 60 hours per month • Depending on clinic rotation, specific health screens may be required • NO WORK EXPERIENCE REQUIRED! • Criminal record is NOT disqualifying
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Start Your Healthcare Career Now!

[Click or Scan to Apply](#)

For more information, please contact: 855-936-7837 (toll free) | 330-550-8001 (text) | support@ifoster.org (email)

LAST CHANCE: To Submit your response to this year's Voice of the Community Survey

“**YOUR VOICE
YOUR COMMUNITY**”

ADD YOUR VOICE TO THE CHOIR!



There are only two weeks left, don't miss the chance to win **\$500** and help improve child welfare. It's as easy as taking a few minutes to share your thoughts and make your voice heard!

Take a few moments out of your busy holiday schedule and enter for a chance to win \$500 while making a positive change. Join us in making this holiday season meaningful and impactful. Your opinion matters!

Take the Survey

Fall Fun Events for Children and Youth!

iFoster TAY AmeriCorps interns, who are all current or former foster youth, are hosting two fun virtual events in November. Join us for movies, games, prizes and fun! We're showing Charlie Brown's Thanksgiving and Home Alone. Download flyers and share. Click the Sign-Up button to sign up.



Sign Up! For children in k-8th grade



Sign Up! For youth ages 14-26

Did You Know?

2023-24 FAFSA® Form

Use the 2023-24 FAFSA® form to apply for college financial aid for 7/1/23-6/30/24.

2024-25 FAFSA® Form Coming in December

Apply for aid for 7/1/24-6/30/25 on the 2024-25 form in December.

Start 2023-24 Form

Returning to the 2023-24 FAFSA® form?

Correct info | Add a school

View your Student Aid Report (SAR)

Log In

Breaking News: FAFSA Application Opening Moved to December!

Hey college-bound students, we've got some exciting news for you! The opening date for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has been pushed to December!

That's right - you now have more time to get your FAFSA ducks in a row. Take advantage of this extended timeline to ensure you don't miss out on crucial financial aid opportunities for your college education.

Use this extra time wisely to gather all the necessary information and complete your application meticulously. Need a helping hand to navigate the FAFSA process? Rest easy – our dedicated support team is [here for you](#).



Meet & Greet Partnered Event

iFoster and the National Foster Youth Institute (NFYI) has a collective mission to advance foster care reform and provide foster youth with valuable opportunities, specifically through paid internships and professional development.

- Presentation**
The event will feature two presentations that will provide an in-depth understanding of our research, experiences and their insights.
- Incentives for Attendance**
We're offering incentives for students who attend the presentation. Foster youth qualify for the event and earn extra hours on the night of the event.
- Group Discussion**
This event is about how we can contribute ourselves to foster care reform and promote foster youth for generations.
- Group Activities**
Come ready to participate, it's time for foster youth to build their network.
- Catered Food**
There will be provided by the organizations that are attending the event.
- Opportunities Galore**
iFoster and NFYI will discuss many opportunities for our foster youth and foster youth.

University of Kentucky | University of KY @UK | Friday November 17th | 3:00pm - 6:00pm | ku@uk.edu | www.uk.edu | www.nfyi.org

Coming Soon: Elevating #FosterYouthVoices with NFYI!

We're joining the National Foster Youth Institute (NFYI). Together, we're amplifying #FosterYouthVoices and connecting them to decision-makers across the country. These superstar interns are passionate about making a difference in the foster youth community and have the skills to do it. Later this month, our TAY AmeriCorps Interns partnered with NFYI will be gathering so that stories are heard loud and clear, paving the way for positive change.



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