



ILP's approach is to build relationships with youth while teaching essential life skills that prepare them to live on their own, with their own community supports. Hearts With A Mission currently serves up to 60 youth in Josephine and Jackson county through funding by the Oregon Department of Human Services

Hearts With A Mission is a 501(c)3 non-profit.

Hearts With A Mission is licensed as a Child Caring Agency by the State of Oregon to provide services for homeless, runaway and transitional youth.

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### FOR TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS

The Independent Living Program (ILP) helps youth and young adults from Josephine and Jackson counties who have been in foster care to transition into adulthood.

## **BUILD RELATIONSHIPS**

LEARN ESSENTIAL

LIFE SKILLS

**HAVE FUN!** 

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"I get to hang out with other kids who can understand what I have been through" ~ Zac



INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM (ILP)







Hearts With A Mission's Independent Living Program (ILP) assists youth age 16 and over who are, or were in foster care to take the next steps in their lives to become independent adults.

The program teaches youth valuable skills to make a successful transition from foster care to independent living.

The program offers a variety of learning opportunities, including: skills groups, and one-on-one supports, access to financial support (through ILP discretionary funds), Independent Living Housing Subsidy Program, and education/grant support.

All services are individually tailored to the needs of the specific youth.

### **LIFE SKILLS TRAINING**

- Financial planning
- Housing
- Health
- · Mental health care
- Legal issues
- Shopping
- Housekeeping
- Personal appearance
- Recreation and transportation
- Cooking, etc.

# EDUCATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL SKILLS

- Tutoring
- Driver's education
- · Pre-vocational training
- · Vocational training
- College tours
- GED completion

"Everyone was very welcoming and gave great advice. It gave me a place to get to know myself a little better." ~ Chris



### PEER SUPPORT

- · Groups and youth networks
- Positive recreational activities
- Retreats
- Youth conferences

### **EMPLOYMENT COACHING**

- · Resume building
- Interview skills
- · Job search and placement

