

**Ready
for Life**

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for Life?*

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As 2009 comes to an end you can make a gift that will have a lasting impact into 2010! For so many a New Year symbolizes new beginnings, new goals and hopes and dreams of what is to come. Youth aging out of our foster care system do not always have this as their focus but rather how will they make ends meet, where will they live, how will they afford to buy food and is there someone that will be there for them. Join with Ready for Life as we engage our community to embrace these youth as "Our Youth", as we work to build public / private partnerships and most importantly as we keep the "Youth Voice" central in everything we do.

Invest in the future of "Our Youth"

Make a gift TODAY!

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~ Giving Opportunities ~

\$55 - Provides a bus pass for a year for a youth transitioning out of foster care.

\$100 - Provides a "Move In" kit for a foster youth. This kit will include items such as towels, bedding, pots & pans, kitchen supplies, dishes and bath items.

\$250 - Provides assistance to a youth for emergency needs such as food, medical and clothing.

\$500 - Provides a stipend for a Youth Council member for one year.

\$1000 - Provides assistance to secure housing for a youth transitioning out of care.

\$2,500 - Provides Ready for Life with resources to assist youth with a successful transition out of foster care.

\$10,000 - Ready for Life Partner. Provides funding to secure the continuation of support to "Our Youth" aging out of the foster care system.

Quotes from "Our Youth" as they transition out of care...

"I'm really kind of nervous about my future. From what I understand, I don't have a good chance at success but really I'm the one who has the last word. I will work hard to prove people wrong."

"I hate always being alone, coming home to nobody..."

"Today I feel very nervous. I've pretty much been grown all my life but this time it's different. I don't even know where to start because I have so many mixed feelings. I'm just nervous."

GET INVOLVED

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

PROVIDE HOPE

Ready for Life is looking for business partners in our community to provide:

- **Employment & Internship opportunities for foster youth**
- **Gift Certificates to local stores, restaurants and local events**
- **Funding for youth incentives, youth stipends & basic needs**
- **Volunteers for our Community Committee's**
- **Mentoring for a youth transitioning out of foster care**

Get involved...together we CAN make a difference!

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