

WHO WE ARE

The Dakota Ojibway Child and Family Service (DOCFS) Post Majority Wrap-around program is an essential delivery of voluntary services for youth transitioning out of care into adulthood and to young adults who were formerly in care up to and including age 25. The program will further promote holistic positive outcomes for young people. DOCFS Post Majority team is committed to promote culturally based, educational, social, physical and mental wellbeing, and educational opportunities for the First Nations youth.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The program will enable youth transitioning out of care into adulthood and to young adults who were formerly in care to thrive by providing a wrap-around supports and services.

LAND BASED EDUCATIONAL CAMPS

Post-majority care services in a continuum of supports for First Nations youth and young adults formerly in care, to assist them with their transition to adulthood upon reaching the age of majority.

Post-majority care services aim to support the safety and well-being of First Nations youth and young adults in an approach that is culturally appropriate, in their self-identified best interest towards a successful future.

FOUR QUADRANTS OF FOCUS

- Physical, Mental Social Wellbeing
- Education and Professional Development
- Financial Support and Safe Stable Comfortable Housing
- Re-Connection with land, culture, language, and community



Post Majority Information Brochure

Your Children...
Your Family...
Your Plan...
We Can Help.



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LEARNING, EDUCATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Education support
- Assistance to navigate education systems and post secondary options
- Access to resources and support related to education
- Education-related costs
- Professional development and skills training, and/or career path planning
- Specialized supports: tutoring, career counselling
- Technology required for education
- Financial support for training/certifications (i.e. first aid, food safe, childcare)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT & SAFE, STABLE, COMFORTABLE HOUSING

- Needs-based financial support (budgeting, credit, money management)
- Financial planning
- Financial costs and support to acquire various forms of identification (birth certificate, government ID, passports)
- Financial cost and support for driver's permit and driver's education
- Rent and rent subsidies
- Housing stability during transition to adulthood

- Supports in viewing housing, guidance, transportation
- Moving costs and support
- Housing-related skills training
- Basic household necessities
- Basic household utilities, including internet connectivity and clean water
- Life/home skills including in home supports (i.e., cooking, housekeeping, planning, life coaching)
- Clothing including clothing required for employment
- Personal care and hygiene including menstrual supplies

PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND SOCIAL WELL-BEING

- Noninsured medical, dental and allied health services prescribed by relevant professional
- Sexual and gender identity health support, i.e. education related to sexually transmitted diseases, sexual health
- Recreation and sport
- Holistic health options
- Counselling
- Healthy relationships counselling/support i.e. Personal safety, gang involvement, domestic violence, healthy boundaries, addictions

(RE)CONNECT WITH LAND, CULTURE, LANGUAGE & COMMUNITY

- Building lifelong connection to community and develop support networks, i.e. mentorship
- Reconnection with family, community, culture
- Family mediation and counselling
- Safe reintegration into community and culture of origin, including visits to community of origin
- Cultural programs and ceremony, land-based wellness
- Language/identity, courses, workshops, resources
- Support and guidance from Indigenous Elders and knowledge keepers, traditional knowledge
- Cultural youth groups and peer supports

