OUTREACH TO SYSTEMS-INVOLVED YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES

One of our primary initiatives with our Independence, Inc. Kansas Youth Transition Network Program is to reach the unreached and serve the underserved with transition training and support. We focus much of our outreach in not only underserved communities, but in systems that often trap youth and young adults in a cycle of poverty. We serve and assist these youth and families with:

- transition support and training for homeless youth and their families
- programs for youth in the foster care system
- training and transition preparation for youth involved in the juvenile justice system
- education and transition support for youth experiencing truancy
- GED advocacy, training and transition services for youth who have or planning on dropping out of school
- navigating pathways to employment for systems-involved youth
- self-advocacy training
- independent living skills training

We currently partner with

- McKinney-Vento Program
- Resilient Transitions and other foster care organizations
- USD 500, Piper and Turner School Systems

We are working on building partnerships with:

- local juvenile detention centers
- foster families
- local mental health organizations and providers