



**SHASTA COUNTY  
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**Emancipated Youth Stipend:** As everyone knows the governor originally cut 10% from the state budget for foster care services. However, he cut an additional 80 million dollars with a line item veto when the budget came across his desk. Due to the additional cuts the Emancipated Youth Stipend was eliminated throughout the whole state. This fund helps provide funding for aftercare youth for housing (rent assists, deposit assists, utility assists), work related items, college books and meal cards, emergency assistance for single parents (childcare, etc.). We will continue to work hard to find a way to help those youth who find themselves in an extreme emergency; however, we wanted everyone to know how limited our funding will be for aftercare youth this year.

**Experiential Group:** In an effort to provide more hands on experiential groups, properly prepare for groups and have an adequate number of youth participating; we will only be allowing the first 25 youth that **RSVP** to attend our experiential classes this year. **We can no longer accept youth that just show up or RSVP on the day of the class.** We are sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause but it is very important that ILP youth learn personal responsibility by providing an **RSVP**, on time, to participate in the classes.

November's experiential group will be on Relationships and Domestic Violence. It will be held on November 18th, from 4:30-6:30pm, at our new classroom area at the Youth and Family Office. If you need directions we can provide them when you call to RSVP. The last day to RSVP will be November 11th<sup>t</sup> by 4pm. **Please RSVP to Scottie Sewart at 365-9197; not your ILP caseworker or the ILP Coordinator.**

**Last Month's Experiential Group:** October's experiential group dealt with budgeting and banking. We would like to thank Butte Community Bank (Anderson Branch) for their presentation on checking accounts, debit cards vs. ATM cards, keeping track of your account and issues with credit cards. The second half of the class was a challenge, for the youth, on budgeting and buying clothes for a job interview. We would like thank the Clothes Exchange in Anderson for staying open late and working with our youth on this challenge. Each youth had a ten dollar budget, to use at the consignment store, to find a suitable outfit to wear for a job interview. We were extremely impressed with what the youth were able to put together. Most of the boys had a nice pair of slacks, a dress shirt and a tie with their money. Most of the boys chose to wear the clothes they got as they really liked being dressed up. The girls were able to purchase a nice dress shirt and either a nice pair of slacks or skirt. All of the youth did a GREAT job and most spent just under their ten dollar budget. The youth all were impressed at what they found at the consignment store and felt they learned to shop with a lot less money then they thought they could. The youth got to keep the job interview outfits they found at the consignment store.

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