

# Connected Youth Initiative Transitional Services Survey (TSS)

- Currently administered every April and October
- Given to any young adult who has been involved with CYI
- Administered via a Survey Monkey link
- A couple changes this administration:
  - Completely virtual admin process
  - New survey questions added (to reflect what is on Participant Information Survey)



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Getting as many responses as we can is key!

- Findings have many uses...
  - Report to funders and other partners
  - Contribute to formal evaluations
  - Learn about needs and progress of unconnected young adults
  - Provide community-specific data when possible



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## Examples of TSS findings

- CYI participants whose data were part of SIF CYI study showed 3.8x greater odds of having a safe and stable living situation compared to their peers
- Statewide report from Oct 2018 administration found a statistically significant correlation between being pregnant and/or parenting and not being employed or in school
- A b2i study linking TSS data with OPPS and b2i administrative data found that young adults who are involved in both b2i and a Connected Youth Initiative (CYI) asset matching program (Opportunity Passport™) report higher levels of hope and self-regulation compared with young adults involved other components of CYI or b2i without any Opportunity Passport™ involvement.



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What is your role in administering the TSS?

- **Central Navigators/Coordinators:** check-in with CYI provider partners and make sure they have all survey materials and instructions, forward survey updates throughout month
- **Other CYI program/service providers:** administer surveys to young adults, provide e-gift cards, and submit e-gift card reimbursement paperwork
- **Nebraska Children:** compile and send survey updates during survey month, confirm whether specific young adults have taken a survey



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## TSS e-gift card process: Everything you need to know!

- **First TSS administration to utilize a virtual incentive process** – e-gift cards or Venmo
- Each youth may receive the following incentives:
  - **\$10** for TSS completion and
  - **\$40** for Opportunity Passport Participant Survey
  - Youth may complete both surveys and may not complete either survey more than one time
- **Nebraska Children reimburses CYI providers** for gift cards distributed or Venmo payments made to young people for TSS completion
  - CYI providers that are also contractors of Nebraska Children have already received guidance for reimbursement of gift cards
  - For CYI providers that are contracted at the local level (CWB collaboratives) that have not received this guidance, please contact Sara Riffel at [sriffel@nebraskachildren.org](mailto:sriffel@nebraskachildren.org)
- **Bridge to Independence:** Youth in B2i that complete TSS are asked to send a screenshot of the completed survey page to their IC. The IC will forward the information to Central Plains Center for Services to issue the e-gift card.



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# How can the collaborative support the administration of TSS?

- **Check with CYI partners in your community** to make sure they have everything needed to conduct the survey. Use this time to re-engage and energize older youth partners in your work!
  - Examples of CYI partners in your community may include organizations implementing coaching, Opportunity Passport, housing support, and youth leadership/chapter
  - If there is a partner in your community that does not have information about TSS, please contact *Claire Hoff* at [choff@nebraskachildren.org](mailto:choff@nebraskachildren.org) or *Sara Riffel* at [sriffel@nebraskachildren.org](mailto:sriffel@nebraskachildren.org)
- **Offer to organize a virtual TSS event** in partnership with your local CYI chapter and/or CYI partners. ***Include young people in the event planning!***
- **Promote TSS on your social media** and set reminders to your CYI partners and young people to complete the survey by October 31<sup>st</sup>
- **Share TSS and Opportunity Passport Participant Survey results** with your collaborative, older youth work group, and CYI chapter. **Talk about the data and set targets** to improve older youth outcomes in your community.
  - If you need access to past TSS reports (statewide or community-specific), please contact *Sara Riffel* or *Claire Hoff*



# Questions?



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