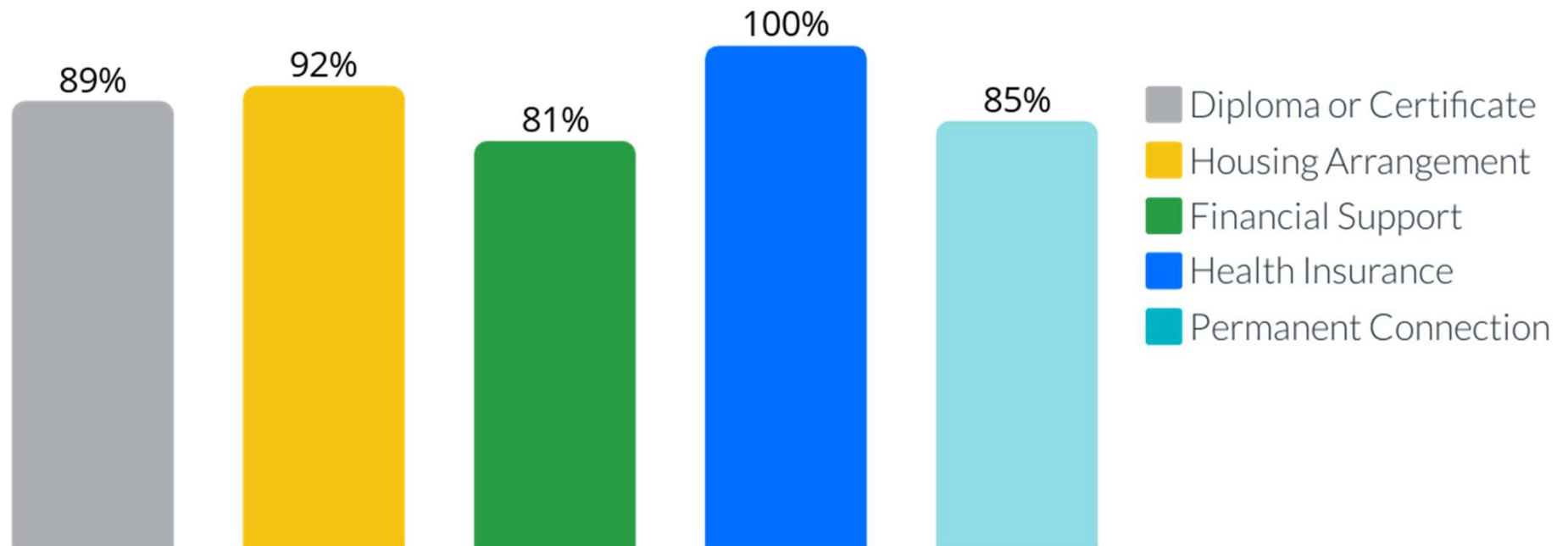


Transition Age Youth Annual Report 2022-2023



**Board of Supervisors Meeting
Gilbert Murillo, Acting Assistant Director
Department of Family and Children's Services
February 6, 2024**

Outcomes Achieved for TAY Exiting Care 2022-2023



2022-2023 Highlights



Annual graduation celebration

- 48 graduated high school or completed GED;
- 3 vocation program certificates;
- 5 Associate's Degrees; and
- 6 Bachelor's Degrees.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

- Bill Wilson Center on 3rd Year of establishing Hub as year-round VITA site.
- 90 youth were refunded \$222,574 in 107 returns.
- 138% increase in the # of tax returns filed from the 2020 to 2022 tax season.
- Helped with filing taxes and Claiming the California Earned Income Tax Credit.

Chafee Cash Payments for COVID-19

- Fourth & last round - DFCS enrolled 67 youth (20-21) for payment of \$1298

2022-2023 Highlights



- The Intern & Earn Program 1.0 afforded 118 TAY job positions.
- Two cohorts of 15 young adults who exited foster care participated in 6-month internships through the Intern & Earn Program 2.0.
- Transitional Housing Programs (THPP; THPNMD; THP+AC) continue to provide stable housing with monthly participation of 27 TAY.
- 599 laptops and 417 cell phones were issued through partnership with iFoster.
- 283 (70%) out of approximately 403 eligible foster youth received ILP services.

Next Steps

- **Employment:** Continue implementing Intern & Earn Programs 1.0 & 2.0.
- **Tax Support:** Increase income tax filings and cash back credits. Have self-filing events to increase financial literacy.
- **Crisis Management Response:** further develop to serve immediate mental-health needs.
- **Education:** Build on partnerships with the Santa Clara County Office of Education to improve educational outcomes. Promote post-secondary matriculation, increase Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion, and NMD scholarship awards.
- **Youth Engagement** - Strengthen partnerships between the Youth Leadership Council (YLC), Youth-led Participatory Action Research (yPAR), and California Youth Connection (CYC).
- **The Hub:** Continue work with OSH & HKIT for relocation of the Hub to Parkmoor Ave.