

**Website Task Group Charter**  
**Transitions to Adult Living Implementation Team**

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**Background Supporting the Website Task Group:** A youth leadership summit on “Transitions to Adult Living” was held in June 2003. At that summit youth met to determine what their top concerns were in connection with transitioning from foster care to adult living. The youth addressed needs and goals in the areas of education, employment, personal life issues and housing. These youth highlighted areas of concern and desired goals in connection with their needs. In response to the needs of youth transitioning into adulthood, Task Groups have been formed to accomplish goals in a timely manner. (*Year One of Utah’s Transitions to Adult Living Support Network Five Year Plan, October 2003*)

**Purpose:** It is acknowledged that youth in foster care and youth aging out of foster care, foster parents, and caseworkers need access to information about a wide variety of community services and supports. This information is not easily available at the present time. A website designed specifically for these youth will increase their access and utilization of the services they need.

**Tasks:**

- Conduct focus groups with youth in foster care, former foster youth, foster parents, and caseworkers to determine appropriate content and format of the website.
- Research other websites as models for format.
- Develop the business plan for the website--outline expectations for website, format, content, cost, maintenance, housing, timeline, etc.
- Develop site and test product with youth, foster parents and caseworkers.
- Implement the website.
- Determine feasibility of establishing computer labs in regional DCFS offices.

**Authority of The Web Site Task Group - Scope of decision-making:** This group will receive ongoing direction from the Implementation Team until completion of assigned tasks. Task Group will present recommendations and proposals to the Implementation Team for approval prior to implementation.

**Deliverables/Reporting Requirements:**

1. The Task Group is scheduled to complete tasks by June 2004.
2. The Task Group will report progress to the Implementation Team on a monthly basis.

**Special Provisions/Tenure:** Individuals that are chosen or who volunteer to complete tasks and participate in this Task Group will be at the discretion of the agency they represent and the Implementation Team. This Task Group may solicit staff and stakeholder input and involvement as needed to complete tasks.