

Youth and Family Services Programs at NEK Youth Services

Program	Ages Served	Referral Source(s)	Program Description
Transitional Living Program (TLP)	16-21	Self, All Community Partners	Provides safe and stable housing in NEKYS master lease housing program. Housing is available for up to 18 months or, under special circumstances, to 22 months. Youth will complete 1 or more educational/vocational goals, be employed or looking for work, have successful transition to independent living/permanent housing, build social & emotional well-being and create permanent connections.
Youth In Transition (YIT)	16 – 21	Self, All Community Partners	Helps youth and their families have adequate preparation and supports to actively engage in the community and be free from incarceration. Emphasis on youth empowerment and leadership, outreach to youth who are not in school, cross-system case management and access to mental health services.
Youth Development Program (YDP)	14-23 currently in or were formally in foster care	DCF, some Self Referrals	Youth will have access to supports leading to employment, education or training opportunities, affordable housing, access to healthcare and a network of peers and caring adults.
Prevention and Stabilization Services for Youth and Families (PSSYF)	12-23	DCF, some Community Partners (Preference always given to DCF)	Includes supports towards developing well-being, education and employment, permanent connections and stable living environments. Services include emergency crisis response, access to healthcare and family preservation services.
Basic Center Program (BCP)	12-17	Self, All Community Partners	Services provided to runaway, homeless or precariously housed. Services include home based prevention services and aftercare services (for up to 3 months). Emergency housing but youth must not be eligible for residential support from any state or federal program.
Housing Navigator	16-24	Self, All Community Partners	Provides light case management up to the point participant is housed. Works with youth to secure safe housing, remove barriers and refer to other service providers.
Landlord Liaison	16-24	Dialog with Landlords and Public Housing	Increase housing opportunities provided by public and private property owners and managers. Work to reduce/remove barriers, provide education around landlord/tenant rights and responsibilities and assist with mediation between landlord/tenant. Also serves as a point of contact for landlords.
Rapid Re-housing (RRH)	16-24	Self, All Community Partners	Provide case management to youth receiving tenant-based rental assistance. VSHA administers monthly rental payments determines rent reasonableness & income contribution and conducts HQS inspections. Participants must contribute 30% of their income toward rent. NEKYS has 4 vouchers for up to 24 months (provided youth maintain eligibility).

