

Comprehensive Resource List to Accompany
Dr. Chris Downs & Michael Meyers
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“The Unintended Consequences of AB 12 and Potential
Strategies for Change”
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Note: These are documents, research and other resources referenced by Chris Downs and Michael Meyers during their presentations in San Diego, Davis, and Fresno, May and June 2014.

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Training**

See <http://www.downsconsultinggroup.com> or send e-mail to Booking@DownsConsultingGroup.com.

Information on Host homes

<http://www.ucanchicago.org/host-home/>
<http://www.avenuesforyouth.org/programs-minneapolisosthome.html>
<http://www.avenuesforyouth.org/programs-suburbanhosthome.html>
<http://www.layc-dc.org/index.php/programs/social-services/child-placement/host-homes.html>
<http://www.youthconnections.org/news/host-home>
<http://www.thementornetwork.com/program/host-home/>

Non-Financial Sources of Support

Foster Care Alumni of America: <http://www.fostercarealumni.org>

Potential Financial Sources of Support

Dave Thomas Foundation: <https://www.davethomasfoundation.org>
The Disney Foundation: <http://disney.go.com/guestservices/faq?id=donations1>

Youth-Centered Planning

Training resources: <http://www.downsconsultinggroup.com> or Bookings@DownsConsultingGroup.com

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Extreme Recruitment

In Missouri:

<http://adoptuskids.org/about-us/diligent-recruitment-grantees/extreme-recruitment>

High Performing Youth Groups

AMP (Achieving Maximum Potential) of Iowa: <http://www.ampiowa.org>

Resources on Life Skills Preparation

Casey Family Programs. <http://lifeskills.casey.org>

Training on Life Skills Preparation: <http://www.downsconsultinggroup.com> or Bookings@DownsConsultingGroup.com

Helpful Research on Permanency and Permanency-Related Topics

Avery, R. J. (2010). An examination of theory and promising practice for achieving permanency for teens before they age out of foster care. *Children and Youth Services Review, 32*, 399-408.

Jordan, E., & Williams, S. C. (2014). Stakeholder Perspectives on Family Finding. <http://www.childtrends.org/?publications=voices-from-the-field-stakeholder-perspectives-on-family-finding> .

Leathers, S. J., Falconnier, L., & Spielfogel, J. E. (2010). Predicting family reunification, adoption, and subsidized guardianship among adolescents in foster care. *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry, 80*(3), 422-431.

Pecora, P. J., Kessler, R. C., Williams, J., Downs, A. C., English, D. J., White, J., & O'Brien, K. (2010). *What works in foster care?* New York: Oxford University Press.

Taussig, H. N., Culhane, S. E., Garrido, E., & Knudtson, M. D. (2012). RCT of a mentoring and skills group program: Placement and permanency outcomes for foster youth. *Pediatrics, 130*(1), 33-39.

Helpful and Free Recorded Teleconferences:

<http://www.nrcpfc.org/teleconferences/may/part-1.htm>

<http://www.nrcpfc.org/teleconferences/may/part-2.htm>

<http://www.nrcpfc.org/teleconferences/may/part-3.htm>

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Toolkits:

Youth Permanency Toolkit: <http://www.nrcpfc.org/toolkit/youth-permanency/>
Engaging Youth in Permanency Planning: <http://nrcyd.ou.edu/youth-engagement/engaging-youth-in-permanency-planning>

Briefings and Bulletins for Professionals:

Achieving and Maintaining Permanency:
<https://www.childwelfare.gov/permanency/>

Enhancing Permanency for Youth in Out-Of-Home Care:
<https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubs/focus/enhancing/index.cfm>

Partnering with Youth for Permanency Planning:
<https://www.childwelfare.gov/adoption/preplacement/partnering.cfm>

Working with Youth to Develop a Transition Plan:
https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubs/transitional_plan.pdf

The Permanency Pact

Foster Club Permanency Pact:
https://www.fosterclub.com/sites/default/files/PermPact_2.pdf