Notes and Plans for Expectant and Parenting Youth (EPY) K.B.

Family Group Decision Making Meeting

Case Number:

Court Case Number:

Youth's Name: Kaitlyn age 19

Date of Meeting: May 5, 2020

Location of Meeting: Teleconference

Facilitator: A.M., DCFS

Participants:

K.B. – DCFS Parenting Youth;

L.S. - DCFS Social Worker

B.F. - ICAN Resource Specialist (RS)

L.B. – CLC Representative

Purpose of Meeting: The purpose of this meeting was to identify and discuss youth's needs regarding early child rearing, childcare, education and her baby's needs. Additionally, the purpose of the meeting was to provide support and services to promote child safety.

Family Strengths:

K.B. is good at finding employment and building a resume

K.B. is mature and responsible

K.B. is goal oriented

K.B. has good self-awareness

K.B. is in college

K.B. is linked with housing resources and has a Section 8 voucher

K.B. is driven and has a lot of goals for herself

K.B. is open to services

Challenges/ Needs:

K.B. needs childcare support

K.B. wants to get back to work

Plan Developed 5/5/20:

1. As soon as possible, K.B. will provide CSW with childcare center details

2. When K.B. is ready for her baby to attend childcare, CSW will submit Bridge

3. As soon as K.B. identifies a possibly mentor, she will provide name, DOB, and or ID or license number

4. As soon as possible, CSW will print out and mail PSP and convert for electronic signatures

5. As soon as possible, RS will send diapers, size 3 and wipes

6. As soon as possible, K.B. and CSW will try to contact Dangerfield 323 290-5058- done Facilitator called during EPY and informed no mail received

7. By 5/5/20, CLC Rep will send link to check status of stimulus check- done https://sa.www4.irs.gov/irfof-wmsp/notice;jsessionid=BqaRmyBJgTyLlXeA3TGlvxDn.47

8. As able, K.B. will consider opening a checking account for direct deposit

9. As soon as possible, CSW will submit request for ITSP Life Coach

10. Once K.B. has a new residence, she will notify EPY team

11. Once K.B. has a placement, CSW will request SILP funding, Infant Supplement, and baby's Medi-Cal

12. Once K.B. receives DCFS funding, SILP and Infant Supplement, she will stop Cal Works

13. Once K.B. provides new address, RS will refer to PFF and PCSLA

14. On July 21, 2020, at 10:30 am an EPY Follow Up will be held in person, if possible at K.B.'s new residence or DCFS office, if not will be a conference call

Discussion and General Overview:

An initial Expectant and Parenting Youth (EPY) Conference was held on May 5, 2020 on behalf of K.B. She is a nineteen-year old DCFS Non-Minor Dependent participating in Extended Foster Care. She is represented by CLC 4. Her next Dependency Court date is September 1, 2020. K.B. has a four-month old son.

Regarding home visitation (HV), she was not previously referred to a HV program. She was informed about partnership for Families (PFF) and Partners for Children S. LA, (PCSLA) if she moves into the S. LA area. She is interested in both. She will notify her EPY team once she has more permanent housing.

Regarding placement, K.B. and her son are currently in a shelter with LA Family Housing at 14239 Valerio St. Van Nuys CA. Her LA Family Housing Navigator is J.B. who will do an inspection of appliances today. K.B. is hoping the unit will be approved so she can move in. The CSW confirmed that currently, there is no foster care funding in place. If this apartment is approved, the SILP will be requested as well as the Infant Supplement. K.B. stated another CSW, Dominique helped her connect with a leasing company, Sola Rental Company. She stated the program should be able to help her with cost of moving in and they connected her to HIP a program that will furnish her apartment. The RS informed her about the Parenting Support Plan (PSP) and the additional \$200 per month. The Facilitator emailed a sample and blank PSP. The CSW will print out and mail to K.B.

Regarding the baby, K.B. has a four-month old son, O.B. K.B. stated he was born on 12/30/2019, at Valley Presbyterian Hospital and is very healthy K.B. shared that his name is Nigerian and it means God cherishes this child. K.B. stated she is exclusively breast feeding and has a breast pump. The baby currently has Medi-cal via DPSS. The RS informed K.B. that once the SILP is requested, the CSW will also request the baby's Medi-Cal via DCFS.

Regarding the baby's father, he is not involved and was not at the birth. She stated she while her relationship was short, it was not healthy. The RS informed her that since he did not sign birth certificate, she has all legal and physical custody. The RS informed her that if she ever needed a family law attorney, the Alliance could provide her with free resources. K.B. stated she did not inform him that she was pregnant because he has a history of drug abuse and putting his hands on people.

Regarding baby items, the RS informed K.B. that The Alliance for Children's Rights can send her diapers and wipes. She has a pack n play for baby to sleep in right now.

Regarding childcare, K.B. has a childcare center she would like to use across the street from her school. Once K.B. is ready for her baby to attend childcare, the CSW will submit a referral to the DCFS Emergency Child Care Bridge Program.

Regarding supportive relationships, K.B. identified her aunt who lives in Colorado, an aunt who lives in Riverside. Kaitlyn will discuss the PSP with her aunts.

Regarding education, she is attending La Trade Tech and was taking an art history class. However, she had to drop out as she did not have a computer or the books due to the Corona Virus. K.B. stated she is interested in pursuing a career in Fashion Merchandising. The CLC Rep inquired if she was connected to the Guardian Scholars. She confirmed. K.B. stated she plans on enrolling in summer session. She now has a laptop and cell phone from I Foster. She stated she plans on attending Trade Tech regardless of where she resides.

Regarding employment, K.B. is not employed at this time. She was working at Bath N Body Works. She was a seasonal employee, so she did not get disability. She thinks she filed taxes in 2018 but did not receive a stimulus check. She had used another address in LA. The Facilitator contacted Dangerfield Group Home and they indicated they did not have any mail for K.B.The CLC Rep provided K.B. with a link to the IRS website to check the status of her check.

Regarding public assistance, she has WIC, Cal Fresh but lost her EBT card, and has Cal Work. She needs to replace her card. The RS informed her to call customer service 877 328-9677 to report her card as lost. She was informed to stop Cal works once her SILP funding arrives.

Regarding reproductive health, she stated she is not on birth control now as she is not involved with anyone. She is exploring different options and has been discussing with her gynecologist. She was informed that if she is interested, the CLC Rep can review options with her as well as she is a certified reproductive health specialist.

Regarding tickets or arrest, she has none.

Regarding mental health, K.B. stated she is not interested in therapy right now.

Regarding immigration issues, they are not applicable.

Additional resources discussed, include a referral to the ITSP program.

The EPY Conference Facilitator provided (via e-mail) the EPY Team:

Resource List

Free Credit Report http://www.annualcreditreport.com/

Youth Development Services Division (YDSD)

Email address: youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov

3530 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 400

Los Angeles, CA 90010

(877) 694-5741

(213) 351-0100 / 0101

Partners for Children South L.A.

808 W. 58th Street

Los Angeles, CA 90037

Phone: 323.541.1600 Ext. 1078

Fax: 323.541.1601

Medi-Cal Authorization Line - to request a breast pump

1-877-431-2273

Counseling at Los Angeles Trade Tech College

213-763-7354

Planned Parenthood

1-800-633-0433

Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice 1241 S. Soto Street, Suite 102 Los Angeles, CA 90023 map Phone (323) 980-3500 Email: info@laclj.org **

Alliance for Children's Rights

3333 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 550 Los Angeles, CA 90010

(213) 368-6010

Public Counsel - Children's Rights - Tickets and citations

610 S Ardmore Ave.

Los Angeles, CA 90005 (213) 385-2977 x500

LAC-USC Family Planning and Teen Parent Clinic

(323) 226-5077 Erios2@dhs.lacounty.gov

Maria Rodriguez • Case Manager • (323) 226-5140

Baby2Baby (Diapers and other baby basic items can be accessed by CSW)

6435 Wilshire Blvd.

Los Angeles, CA 90048

(323) 933-2229 www.baby2baby.org

Harbor Pregnancy Health Center (Free Diapers and other support services , can be accessed by client)

705 W Pacific Coast Hwy,

Wilmington, CA 90744 (310) 518-4135

Los Angeles County Resource and Referral (Child Care resource) -

888-922-4453 – hotline to be placed on the waitlist. http://cao.lacounty.gov/ccp/pdf/LA%20COUNTY%20RR%20MA