# **Outings to Promote Independent Readiness**

## **Transportation**

Exploring Public Transit Systems

Fees & passes, routes & procedures

- Bus, Trolley, Coaster, Taxi
- Campus Shuttles
- Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)
  - o Process of obtaining a California Driver's License / Identification Card
  - o Access to information & processes related to driver's training (VOLVO Keys to Success Scholarship)
- Passport
  - o General information and uses for passport
  - o Process & documents required to obtain passport
- Responsibilities of Vehicle Ownership
  - Pumping Gas
  - o Insurance
  - Registration
  - Maintenance

## Housing

- Tour Transitional Living Programs (TLP)
- Tour Transitional Housing Program Plus (THP+)
  - listed in Emancipation Resource Guide
- Explore College Dorm / Campus Living
  - Investigate Payment Options
- Apartment Hunting
  - Neighborhood costs and accessibility
  - Financial expectations
- Discuss process in setting up utilities
  - o SDG&E, Cable, Internet, etc.
- Discuss Supervised Independent Living Placement (SILP) Options
  - Contact Advocacy Supervisor for SILP Information
- Grocery Shopping
- Attend cooking classes
- Explore access to community resources
  - Library, low cost computer use, etc.

#### **Education**

- Help set short & long term goals
- Help obtain sealed copies of high school transcripts
- Attend college tours / fairs
- Assist youth in writing personal statements & essays
- Assist in college application process
  - FASFA, Chafee Grant, Board of Governors (BOG) Waiver

### **Personal Development**

- Redefining Success
  - Goal Setting
  - o Mud Run / 5K
  - Explore talents / interests
    - music, art, sports, hobbies
- Help Set Up Bank Account
- Reading
  - o magazines, novels, articles, newspaper, maps
- Credit Card / Debt & Interest Discussions

## **Employment**

Important Documents

**Employment Folder** 

- Sample Resume
- o Sample Cover Letter
- o Sample Completed Job Application
- Personal & Professional References
  - o Three for each
  - Needed Information:

Name, Contact Info, Relationship

- Interviewing
  - Practice questions/scenarios
  - Etiquette

handshake, eye contact, posture, body language

Attire

Dressing for success & dressing for a position, help obtain proper clothing

- Help Establish realistic expectations about future career path
  - Volunteering / internships
- Encourage consistent communication & follow up with Independent Living Skills (ILS) Case Worker