A message to our friends, partners, participants and fellow community members

Des Moines, Iowa – March 17, 2020 – As we continue to monitor and adjust to the evolving COVID-19 public health emergency, YPII is implementing several precautions as recommended by CDC and Iowa Department of Public Health. The health and safety of our staff, partners, and the young people we support is our highest priority.

While our office remains open, most of our staff will be working from home for the next few weeks. We are also limiting travel and attendance at in-person meetings. An upcoming Financial Capability Training for our Opportunity Passport program has been postponed and will be rescheduled at a later date. Finally, we are working closely with the Iowa Aftercare Services Network to determine appropriate precautions and actions to address issues related to the pandemic.

Please be assured that we are still available via email and phone, and we have video-conferencing available when that is a feasible alternative. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. This continues to be a rapidly changing situation, and we are committed to doing all that we can to prevent the spread of the virus. We encourage everyone to stay calm and stay safe as we continue to adapt to this rapidly changing situation.

About Youth Policy Institute of Iowa

Founded in 2000, the Youth Policy Institute of Iowa (YPII) works to expand and improve the delivery of services and supports for Iowa youth by partnering with public and private entities throughout the state. YPII is involved in a wide range of initiatives, but specializes in policies and programs affecting youth transitioning from adolescence to adulthood, particularly those who have been involved in child welfare (foster care) or juvenile justice systems. YPII also provides coordination, outreach, and evaluation support to the Iowa Aftercare Services Network.

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