

Local Chafee Providers

DEAP

Serving the Miles City Region
406-234-6034
deapmontana.org

Kairos Youth Services

Serving the Great Falls Region
406-727-0076
www.kairosyouthservices.org

Tumbleweed

Serving the Billings Region
406-259-2558
www.tumbleweedprogram.org

Action Inc.

Serving the Butte/Bozeman/Helena
Regions
406-533-6855
butteassistanceprograms.org

Youth Homes

Serving the Missoula/Kalispell Regions
406-721-2704
youthhomesmt.org



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111 N Last Chance Gulch
Helena, MT 59601



406.268.3790



[http://dphhs.mt.gov/CFSD/
FosterCareIndependence](http://dphhs.mt.gov/CFSD/FosterCareIndependence)



DISCOVER YOUR PATH TO INDEPENDENCE

Who is eligible for Chafee?

- Youth 14 years old or older and currently in foster care
- Was in foster care at age 18, "aged out" of foster care and is not yet 21 years old; or,
- Was in foster care and after their 16th birthday, permanency was established through a court ordered guardianship or adoption.

Who is eligible for Education and Training Vouchers (ETV)?

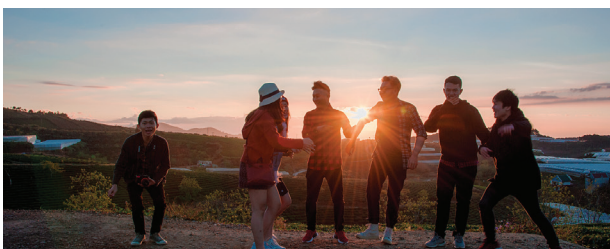
- Be a Chafee eligible youth
- Attend an eligible institution or enroll in an eligible program;
- Meet academic standard requirements; and
- Not yet 26 years of age.

Reach Higher Montana

ETV provider serving youth statewide
406-403-6653
reachhighermontana.org

Assistance with:

- 1 Obtaining a high school diploma, GED, or HiSET
- 2 Youth leadership opportunities
- 3 Transition plan development
- 4 Career exploration
- 5 Obtaining employment
- 6 Acquiring volunteer experience
- 7 Connecting to resources
- 8 Locating & applying for housing
- 9 A structured support system including connection to mentors
- 10 Enrolling in other activities intended to increase life skills and employability



Other opportunities:

- 1 Annual Reach Higher Montana Summit that is held on a Montana college campus in June! Learn life skills, network with other youth, prepare for college or the world of work, and engage in group activities.
- 2 Participate in national or state activities such as internships and youth panels.
- 3 Learn about post secondary education financial aid options, resources on campus, getting involved in school activities, and how to sign up for ETV's that offer eligible youth up to \$5,000 per year for school costs!