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The Person

Meet Your Sibling

ace Allogy Belongings in the

It's moving day!













trash bag

noun [C] US

UK ◀》 / 'træʃ ˌbæg/ US ◀》 / 'træʃ ˌbæg/ (also garbage bag); (UK bin bag)

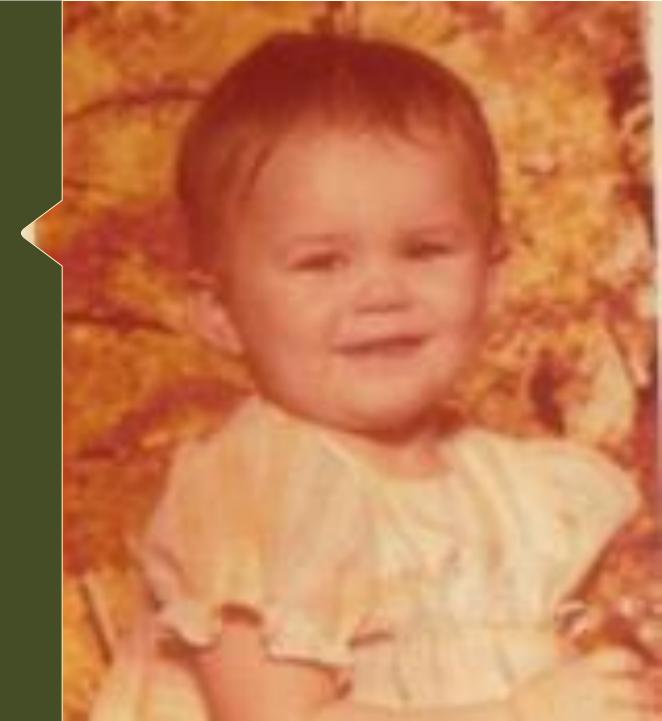


a plastic bag put inside a bin to hold the waste and keep the container clean



JoAnne

Thrower



Life on

The Street



WHATARE MYRIGHTS?



Department of Children & Family Services



U.S. Department of Education Statistics

- OIn the U.S. today, approximately 400,000 children and youth are in foster care at any given time.
- OEach year about 20,000 of these students emancipate (i.e., age out) of foster care.

Everybody's a Teacher

- Children learn from us: parents, teachers, social service workers, caregivers, etc..
- O They learn from our actions as well as our words.
- O When we take the time to explain, the child begins to understand. When
- O When we believe in the child, the child begins to believe in him or herself.
- When we place a priority on education, guess what?
- O The children will also place a priority on education.
- O In this way, we are all teachers. We are teaching the children around us, by our own actions and words.

Ten Percent

Graduate from High School

Three Percent

Graduate from College

c One Percent

Obtain a Graduate Degree

Attachment?

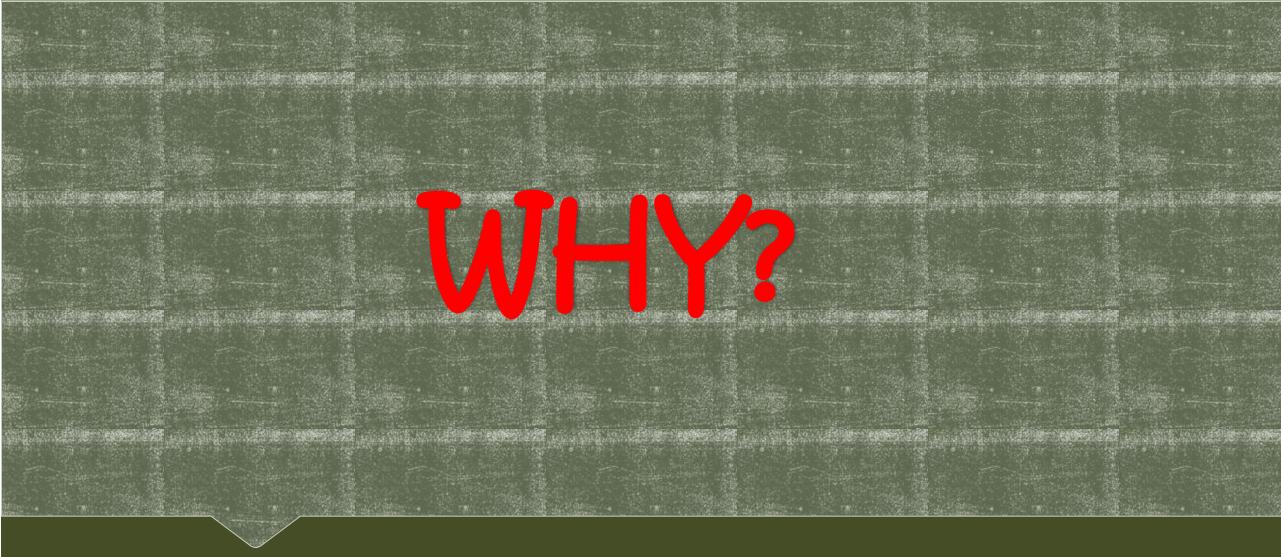




80%
Experience
Homelessness



60%
Experience
Incarceration



What are the factors that lead to homelessness and incarceration?

Are you the Egg

If you are not a part of the solution, you are a part of the

What Can I do to be a Part of the Solution

- OBecome Culturally Competent with foster youth culture
- OVolunteer through civic organization or church
- OBecome a foster parent
- OAdopt
- OBecome a CASA or Guardian ad Litem





Have Low Standards or Expectations.



Share a child in foster care's "Secret".

Pound Pup Legacy





Children ARE NOT Animals or Slaves for Sale













Education Barriers and Supports

- ONational research shows that children in foster care are at high-risk of dropping out of school and are unlikely to attend or graduate from college.
- OA coordinated effort by education agencies and child welfare agencies is necessary to improve the educational outcomes for students in foster care.

Education Barriers and Supports

- O A positive PK-12 education experience has the potential to be a powerful counterweight to the abuse, neglect, separation, impermanence and other barriers these vulnerable students experience.
- O Additionally, participation in and persistence to a postsecondary credential can enhance their well-being, help them make more successful transitions to adulthood, and increase their chances for personal fulfillment and economic self-sufficiency.



























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