**Population Result:** Young people successfully transition to adulthood

**Service System Result:** Transitional Independent Living (youth ages 18-23) youth will have obtained higher levels of education, the ability to access affordable housing, and have no interaction with the criminal justice system.

**Indicator**

**Broward TIL Youth Ages 18-23**

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**Secondary Measures**

**Number of TIL Housing Units Available**

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STORY BEHIND THE CURVE

- While the official age range of TIL youth is 13-23, data is being collected on 18-23 years old documenting the effectiveness of the TIL System on the youths' transition into adulthood.
- When youth “age out” of licensed foster care, they are living on their own in the community.
- 18 year olds with a history of abuse, abandonment and neglect are expected to go out in the community and become productive members of our society. These are the youth for which no permanent family was able to be found. They are alone, but for the services and supports put in place by the TIL System.
- Having basic needs met, an opportunity to increase educational levels and core skills leads to successful transition.
- According to the NLIHC, available housing is “out of reach” even by people earning triple minimum wage: in 2009, the national housing wage was $18.46 per hour or $38,400 per year. Locally, one would need to earn at minimum, $19.58 per hour to afford a fair market rent one bedroom apartment.
- There is a tendency for youth in the foster care system to have a higher rate of involvement in the Criminal Justice system by nature of being “system involved.”

PARTNERS

Actual
- 211 Broward
- 4Kids of South Florida
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Broward College
- Broward County (CSB)
- Broward County Housing Authority
- Broward Housing Solutions
- Broward Legislative Delegation
- Broward School Board
- Camelot Community Care
- ChildNet
- Children’s Services Council
- City Of Pembroke Pines
- Community Foundation of Broward
- Covenant House
- Dept. Children & Families

- Family Central
- Florida Children’s First
- Florida Youth SHINE
- GAL Program
- Gulf Coast Jewish Family Services
- Hands on Broward
- HAndy
- Henderson Behavioral Health
- HOMES, Inc.
- Jim Moran Foundation
- Legal Aid
- Lutheran Services Florida
- Memorial Health Systems
- OIC of Broward
- RESBeat Corp
- SOS Children’s Village
- The FLITE Center

Potential
- The Jim Moran Foundation
- United Way
- Workforce One
- Community Foundation

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BEST IDEAS – WHAT WORKS

• Provide youth with caring and supportive adult figures outside of the System for lifelong connections
• Provide youth with educational supports and services
• Provide youth with exposure to various career fields and job shadowing opportunities

ACTION STEPS

• Support the SOC to continue to build an effective and affordable infrastructure for TIL youth.
• Coordinate with the Juvenile Justice Committee to assess services for prevention as well as recidivism.
• Enhance the TIL data collection and data integrity while bringing in additional partners.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

• Brian, former Independent Living Aftercare youth recently turned 23 years old in February 2013. Brian was a student at Florida A&M University and was recently drafted into the NFL. Brian was always a positive individual whose main focus was on his education, football and seeking higher success for his future. Brian maintained satisfactory academic progress throughout his entire academic years at both Tallahassee Community College and FAMU. Brian is a definite success story!

• Jerry has demonstrated academic success from the time he has been in foster care. He graduated from Atlantic Technical Center High school in their magnet program with honors. Jerry went on to Florida State where he will be graduating this August with a degree in engineering. Once again he will be graduating with honors maintaining over a 3.0 GPA for graduation. Jerry has a number of prospective job offers and he is exploring those options at the present. Based on Jerry’s current employment, and substantial amount of monthly income, his RTI stipend has ended. Jerry states: “I have a healthy amount of savings, a steady stream of income and, no financial debt. Thanks to the support of the RTI scholarship, I have been granted the opportunity to start my adult life financially secure.”