



## National Foster Youth Institute - Virtual Listening Session 10/2/20

September 30, 2020

The National Foster Youth Institute (NFYI) is excited to host an upcoming Virtual Listening Session focused around supporting current and former foster youth within the Child Welfare system in the states of Connecticut, Texas, Oklahoma and Colorado.

We are proud one of our youth, Janelle Chase, is actively involved with this group which strives to make positive changes in the foster care system and to help the children who follow in their footsteps have a better experience. As we can imagine, the pandemic impacted this event along with many others. However, Janelle has maintained her connection with NFYI by participating in a multitude of discussion formats with her peers and program leads.

Janelle wants to share her story with others and utilize her strong voice to make a positive impact.

Congratulations Janelle!!!!

The National Foster Youth Institute is a nationally recognized organization whose mission is to support former foster youth in advocating, organizing and mobilizing youth throughout the nation on a federal level in partnership with community partners, congressional leaders and young people with lived experiences.

At the event, participants will be discussing the Foster Care PPE Campaign, which focuses on three policy priorities that impact current and former foster youth: providing young people with access to health care until the age of 26 throughout this pandemic; the need to expand Chafee Program funding and access until the age of 26; and dental coverage through Medicaid for all former foster youth.

The National Foster Youth Institute believes the best way to raise #FosterYouthVoices is to raise all our voices together in the community.

**Our event will be taking place on October 2nd, at 11:30EST/ 1030CT/9:30 AM MT.**

To attend click [\(Here\)](#) to register.

This event will be taking place over ZOOM so feel free to invite other leaders, advocates, and decision makers of the community! The Registration Link is included on the attached Flyer and you can also contact **(Chiquita Vaughn: [chiquitavaughn11@gmail.com](mailto:chiquitavaughn11@gmail.com))** if you have any questions.

**Here is the link for your Listening Session:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtfumsrzMuGtENqMYc-xctHjVrM\\_2KcKUo](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtfumsrzMuGtENqMYc-xctHjVrM_2KcKUo)

**FOSTER. POWER. NOW.**

**NFYI NATIONAL DELEGATION LISTENING SESSION**

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Are you a current/former foster youth, CW professional or ally that is interested in discussing the issues FY face to influence federal change?

**JOIN OUR LISTENING SESSION**  
**2ND, OCTOBER 2020**  
**11:30AM EST/10:30AM CT/9:30AM MT**

[Click here or email: to register!](#)

Getting involved in advocacy can be tough, but **YOUR VOICE MATTERS!**

Join our listening session to:

- 1) Find out more about (campaign name)
- 2) Identify solutions for the foster care system; and
- 3) Discuss ways you can get involved and impact policy conversations.