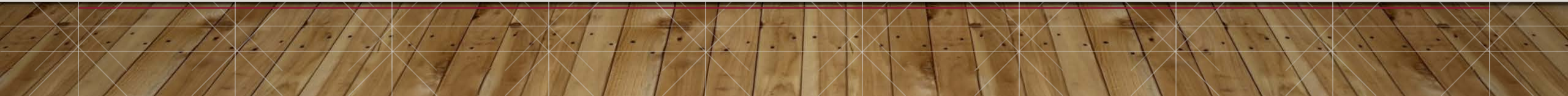


# UNLIMITED POTENTIAL

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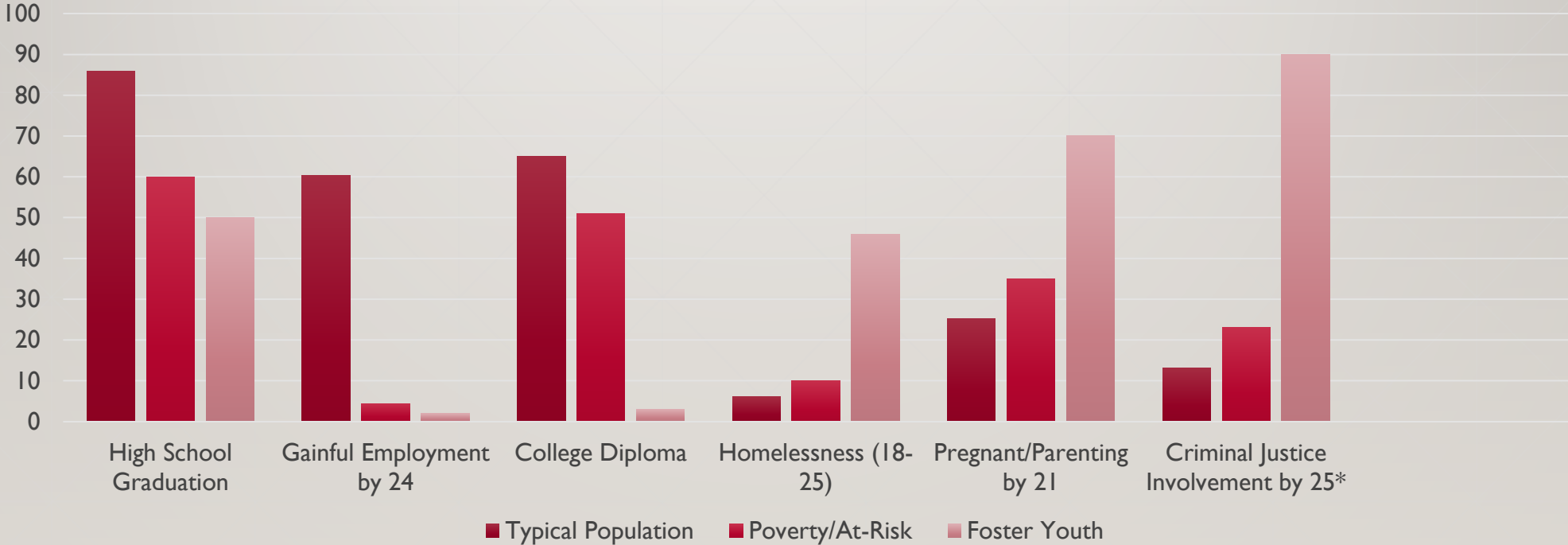
TRANSITIONAL LIVING FACILITY

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***“WHAT IF YOU NEVER HAD  
A HOME TO GO BACK TO?”***

# STATISTICS OF INDEPENDENT LIVING



\*Youth in 5+ Placements prior to aging out of care

# FOSTER YOUTH AGING OUT OF CARE

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- More than 23,000 children will age out of the US foster care system every year.
- After reaching the age of 18, 20% of the children who were in foster care will become instantly homeless.
- Only 1 out of every 2 foster kids who age out of the system will have some form of gainful employment by the age of 24.
- There is less than a 3% chance for children who have aged out of foster care to earn a college degree at any point in their life.
- 7 out of 10 girls who age out of the foster care system will become pregnant before the age of 21.
- The percentage of children who age out of the foster care system and still suffer from the direct effects of PTSD: 25%.
- Tens of thousands of children in the foster care system were taken away from their parents after extreme abuse.
- 8% of the total child population of the United States is represented by reports of abuse that are given to authorities in the United States annually.
- In 2015, more than 20,000 young people — who states failed to reunite with their families or place in permanent homes.

# *HISTORY OF UNLIMITED POTENTIAL*

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- Began under the Voices for Children umbrella in 2014 working with youth ages 16-24
- UP received designation as its own 501(c)(3) in May 2018 and narrowed its focus to serve only former foster youth ages 18-25.
- UP currently serves approximately 40 clients as well as their children (as applicable)

# *OUR VISION*

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- We envision a future in which foster youth are empowered to reach their full potential.
- We emphasize teaching self-advocacy skills and relational interdependence to support former foster youth as they work to create a life they love.

# WHAT SERVICES DO WE OFFER

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- Case Management/Referrals for services:
  - Job training
  - Education
  - SNAP/TANF/WIC Benefit Applications
  - Medicaid Assistance
  - Other services as needed
- Housing Assistance
- Mentorship
- Life Skills Workshops
- Peer Support
- In-Office Resources
  - Laundry, Kitchen, Shower, Essentials Closet, Emergency Food Pantry
- Open access computer lab
- Counseling Services
- Limited Transportation

# WHAT DIFFERENCE WOULD A TRANSITIONAL FACILITY MAKE

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- Homelessness and instability directly prevents other efforts for independent living
- Housing instability and poverty increase risks of substance abuse, mental health challenges, criminal activity, etc
- Opportunity to provide satellite location for social services to low-income residents in College Station

<b>Current Clients</b>	<b>40</b>
Clients approved for housing	16
Clients experiencing housing instability	5
Clients with barriers to housing (geography, criminal record, rental history, finances, etc)	16
<b>New Intakes</b>	<b>3</b>



# COSTS OF HOMELESSNESS

- Taxpayers bear the burden of costs that are a result of homelessness and gaps in adequate social services
- Some individuals, without intervention, will experience one or more of these categories, and some may even experience all

	<b>Annual Approximation (per individual)</b>
Cost of Incarceration (daily housing cost per inmate)	\$22,000
Cost of homelessness	\$35,678
Cost of CPS Involvement*	\$34,815 (per child victim)
Cost of untreated mental health conditions	\$585.74
Cost of alcohol and illicit drug abuse	\$1,341.43
*CPS Involvement if a young adult client has their own child removed	

*"I just wish I had somewhere I could be just to be able to catch my breath and then be able to make my life different."*

*-Participant, Female Age 19*

*"I am excited about the building because finally you guys will see what we deal with every day. Nights are the hardest mentally, but then you will see it and be there with us."*

*-Participant, Female Age 20*

*"Sometimes during hard times like this I just wish I had a mom or a dad to be there, but I don't have either so here we are."*

*-Participant, Female Age 20*

*"Not very many people understand what I am going through or how I feel. Being around others who have experienced the same thing has really helped me."*

*-Participant, Female Age 20*

*"I would really love a place to feel safe and get on my feet. I am tired of living place to place and never feeling steady."*

*-Participant, Male Age 25*

A main program goal is to include aspects of all components of a well-rounded livelihood.



# BE THE VILLAGE

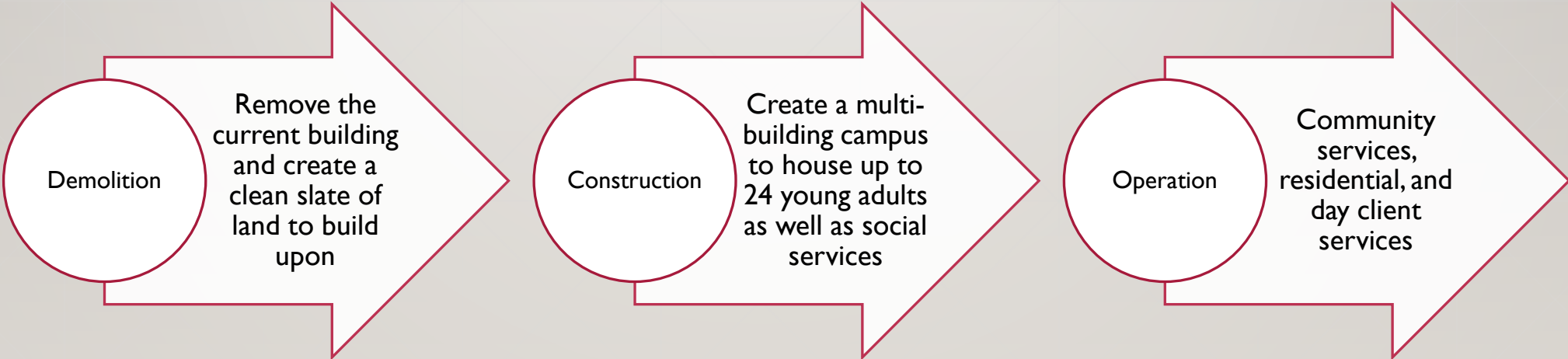
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Supporting the youth in our community directly impacts all aspects of the health and well-being of the Bryan-College Station community.



# TIMELINE OF DEVELOPMENT

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Demolition

Remove the current building and create a clean slate of land to build upon

Construction

Create a multi-building campus to house up to 24 young adults as well as social services

Operation

Community services, residential, and day client services

# METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

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# A PLACE TO CALL HOME

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