

What Relationship Building Model Does Your Youth Homelessness Agency Embrace?

Transactional	Supportive	Permanent
<p>What are the youth's immediate <i>physical needs</i>?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food • Shelter • Clothing • Transportation • Medical <p>What <i>skills</i> does the youth need to live on their own?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma/GED • Job training • Financial literacy • Sobriety • Mental health • Independent living skills 	<p>How can the youth learn <i>healthy relationship skills</i>?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Case managers</i> model caring interactions • <i>Peer support groups</i> teach youth how to cultivate supportive friendships • <i>Stranger- or program-match mentors</i> offer short-term support through interactions with adults, often from more resource-rich communities 	<p>Who can provide the youth with <i>ongoing unpaid support</i>?</p> <p><i>Natural supports</i>, or adults already in the life of the youth, such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>extended relatives</i> • <i>parents of friends</i>, and • <i>neighbors</i> <p>are most likely to provide long-term physical and socioemotional support.</p>