



**CASA**

Court Appointed Special Advocates  
**FOR CHILDREN**

**SONOMA COUNTY**

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**COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES  
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS  
TO THE JUVENILE COURT OF SONOMA COUNTY**

**DATE OF HEARING:**

**TYPE OF HEARING:**

**LOCATION:**

**JUDGE / COMMISSIONER:**

Department 5

**NON-MINOR DEPENDENT/ CASE No:**

**AGE / DOB:**

**CASA ASSIGNED TO CASE:**

**DATE ASSIGNED TO CASE:**

To date, this CASA has spent a total of ..... hours on this case of which ..... hours have been spent directly with ....youth

***For Staff Use Only - Status Review: (Volunteer Supervisor Completes & Files)***

***Number of Continuing Education Hours since January:***

***Driver's License Expiration Date:***

***Driver's Insurance Date:***

***Date of Fingerprints:***

***CASA in compliance:***

*Date of last Case Review:*

### *School updated in Optima:*

## **FAMILY MEMBERS:**

**AGE:**

**CITY, STATE:**

**PERSONS CONTACTED:**

**RELATION TO CHILD:**

## **ASSESSMENT OF NON-MINOR DEPENDENT'S WELL-BEING:**

## **INDEPENDENT LIVING AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING:**

In this CASA's opinion, the following points have been explained to the NMD and the youth understands the following:

- Independent Living opportunities
- Acquiring Non-Minor Dependent status (AB12)
- The importance of storing personal documents in a secure location
- The importance of maintaining educational records
- The importance of maintaining health records and family medical history
- Financial needs to live independently
- Resources to assist with job search
- Career options (Job Corp, California Conservation Corps North Bay, Military Services, College, SRJC, Vocational training)

Together, this CASA and Non-Minor Dependent have:

- Toured VOICES
- Attended a My Life Meeting at Voices
- Toured Santa Rosa Junior College Foster Care Services
- Participated in the CASA Successful Transitions Program

1 *Please elaborate using the following questions as a guide:*

2 Who is their ILP Case Manager? Have transitional housing arrangements been made for Non-  
3 Minor Dependent? What is the Non-Minor Dependent's opinion of their current preparation for  
4 independence? What are the Non-Minor Dependent's interests and/or career choice? Is the Non-  
5 Minor Dependent employed? California Identification and/or Drivers License obtained? If not  
6 where are they in the process?

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8 **CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES: (18 -21 years)**

9 *Please elaborate using the following as a guide:*

10 **Education** (progress toward high school graduation, GED, college or vocational program)

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12 **Housing** (foster care, relative home, FFA home, SILP, group home or transitional housing)

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14 **Employment** (type of job and hours per month, or employment readiness efforts)

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16 **Counseling & Medical Needs** (Physical & emotional needs, self care, and current status)

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18 **Support System** (Life-long connections to supportive adult(s), status of family ties, peers)

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20 **Independent Living Skills** (money management, use of community resources, transportation,  
21 ILP involvement, pro-social activities, participation in clubs, sports, etc.)

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23 **NMD Jurisdictional Eligibility:** How is Non-Minor Dependent fulfilling the minimal criteria to  
24 stay in dependency under AB12?

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- i.e. working 80 hours/month
- or in school
- or working to remove obstacles to employment or education
- Physical and/or Mental health exemption

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3 **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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3. CASA to remain on this case to support these recommendations and (name of NMD)  
successful transition to independence and Non-Minor Dependency status.

9 **DATED:**

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13 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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18 APPROVED BY:

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21 , Volunteer Supervisor

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