here is HOW TO REFER YOUTH TO: YOUTH SHELTERS & FAMILY SERVICES

If you're a trusted adult:

(ages 10 - 13) Speak with their guardian to make sure the adults and children all have the support they need. Only call a shelter organization after doing so.

(ages 14 +) Speak with the youth about what kind of support they need. Make a plan to get outside support only if it is something they agree to.



If you're a friend:

(ages 10 - 13)

- Ask your friends how they're doing!
- Make sure they know they have someone to talk to!
- If something that is going on sounds scary, make a plan with your friend to go to a parent or a trusted adult. An adult at school might have the best ideas for how to help!

(ages 14+)

- Ask your friends how they're doing!
- Make sure they know they have someone to talk to!
- If they don't know that they have options let them know about YSFS and other resources at school and in the community. If you don't know what those resources are call or email YSFS.

If you're a stranger that sees a youth in need:

(any age)

- Did you see them on the street? Call YSFS and tell us where, Anywhere in the state! If we don't serve that area, we'll contact partners that do.
- Did you see them at school? Call us and tell us which school. We work directly with partners in schools.
- Did someone you know tell you they saw a youth in need? Tell them about YSFS!

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