

POPULATION DISTINCTIONS ACROSS JUVENILE JUSTICE PROGRAMS

	YOUTH IN MAAP	YOUTH IN NSP CTH	YOUTH IN LSP CTH
Overview	<p>MAAP families voluntarily engage in services and are under no oversight by ACS child protection or foster care.</p> <p>In some cases, MAAP works with families who have active or pending criminal cases, which means youth might come to be under oversight by ACS, but in most cases, youth are considered “community youth” with no formal oversight.</p>	<p>NSP youth are considered “active in foster care” and so are eligible to many of the same supports as youth in foster care</p>	<p>LSP youth are NOT considered to be in foster care</p>
Special Funding Towards College	<p>While there are a number of great education-related supports available to youth in NYC, MAAP youth are not eligible for supports typically available to those in foster care.</p>	<p>Because NSP youth are considered “active in foster care,” they are eligible for many of the same college financial aid supports!</p> <p>This includes ACS’ College Choice Program, which provides substantial support to college students’ tuition, room, and board. This is true as long as they apply while in the NSP facility or during aftercare.</p> <p><i>NOTE: NSP youth are no longer eligible for College Choice once aftercare ends (though they may still be eligible for the same financial aid as youth in foster care).</i></p> <p>TIP! _____</p> <p>COACHES: Encourage youth to graduate from high school, complete their GED, and/or apply to college to take advantage of this opportunity ASAP!</p>	<p>Unfortunately, LSP are not eligible for College Choice, though there are limited opportunities for youth to “step down” from LSP to NSP, which would make them eligible.</p>
Housing-Related Supports	<p>As community youth, MAAP youth are not eligible for the housing supports available to youth in foster care.</p>	<p>Unfortunately, CTH youth (in NSP or LSP) are NOT eligible for the same housing resources as foster youth as they often plan to “return to parent” (and do not have APPLA - Alternative Planned Permanent Living Arrangements). That said, 15-20% of youth do not return home, so we hope to identify more housing supports for this population in time.</p>	