Fast Fact: Entry to Homelessness through the Foster Care System

<u>Fast Facts:</u> According to an 11/21/20 *New York Times* Opinion article by Nicolas Kristof: "Only 58 percent of foster kids graduate from high school by age 19, <u>and one-fifth are homeless</u> <u>within a year and a half of turning 18 and aging out of the system.</u> By the age of 26, most of these young women and men have been arrested."

What You Can Do:

- Volunteer at Boston CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) 617-780-4055 https://bostoncasa.org
- Consider a donation to Hopewell My First Place -This organization provides apartments/counseling/employment help for foster children aging out in Boston area.

 Donations can be sent to:

Hopewell My First Place
3 Allied Dr., Dedham, MA 02026 Attn: Barbara Duffy

https://hopewellinc.org/my-first-place/

 Let us know if you are interested in joining the Homelessness Task Force :info@nabbonline.org

For additional information on

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