

SESSION 4 AMARILLO CASE

“THE INVISIBLES” WORKSHEET

After watching the videos: “Nobody’s kids: Youth aging out of foster care” and “The Invisibles: Aging out of foster care, confronting the unknown”, take time to respond to the following questions and prepare to share them with your facilitator during your Session 4 debrief:

- 1) After watching “The invisibles” video and learning about Joshua’s history and experience, what would you say contributed to his positive outcomes? What concerns do you have for Joshua’s future and what things could you do if you were Joshua’s volunteer to support his transition to adulthood?
- 2) In thinking about older youth like Maria Amarillo who is in danger of aging out of foster care without permanency what types of services and supports would you recommend for older youth (16 and older)?
- 3) Many older youth aging out of foster care or who have aged out of foster care, reconnect with family and parents who they might have been “removed” from due to abuse and neglect. Knowing this might be the case for an older youth you are assigned to, what sorts of concerns do you have and how might you address them?