# RAFFY: Resources and Assistance for Former Foster Youth

## About RAFFY

MiraCosta College's Resources and Assistance for Former Foster Youth (RAFFY) program is a powerful counseling and networking program designed to assist students who have aged out of the foster care system.

The program features specialized academic advising, personal counseling, social services referrals, financial assistance, and mentoring. Every six months, the RAFFY program produces graduates who have earned a certificate of achievement or associate degree or satisfied the requirements to transfer to a university.

Students who have experienced life in a foster home or group home often need extra support and resources to ensure they succeed in college. Involvement with the RAFFY program can greatly increase a student's success throughout their educational journey.

Additionally, RAFFY students who meet certain criteria may be eligible for additional academic and financial aid services via the NextUp program under Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS). To learn more about the NextUp program, please visit the EOPS webpage. (https://miracosta.edu/student-services/eops/)

To learn more about the RAFFY program, please visit the RAFFY webpage (https://miracosta.edu/student-services/student-equity/raffy.html).