

# Member Nomination Report

Bridge to Independence (B2i) Advisory Committee Nomination  
 Report to the Nebraska Children's Commission  
 July 31, 2018

The following individuals have been nominated for membership on the B2i Advisory Committee. These individuals would serve for a term of two years. The Executive Committee has reviewed all applicants and recommends the following appointments to the B2i Advisory Committee.

Member Representation	Member Type	Applicant Name	Title & Organization
A representative of a child welfare advocacy organization	Voting	Sarah Helvey*	<b>Program Director / Staff Attorney – Child Welfare Program</b> , Nebraska Appleseed
	Non-Voting	Candi Marcantel	<b>Supervisor</b> , Sarpy County CASA
	Voting	Susan Thomas* <b>(Commission Member)</b>	<b>CASA Volunteer</b> , Nebraska CASA Association
A representative of a child welfare service agency	Voting	Christina Lloyd	<b>Program Director -Bridges Transitional Living and Street Outreach Services</b> , CEDARS Youth Services
	Voting	Amanda McGill Johnson	<b>Community Impact Director</b> , Nebraska Children's Home Society
	Voting	Katie McLeese Stephenson*	<b>Director</b> , Child Guidance Center
	Voting	Sara Riffel	<b>Associate Vice President - Connected Youth Initiative</b> , Nebraska Children and Families Foundation
	Voting	Cristen White	<b>Operations Program Manager</b> , PromiseShip
A representative of an Independent Living Services Agency	Voting	Mary Fraser Meints*	<b>Executive Director</b> , Youth Emergency Services (YES)
	Non-Voting	Brandy Gustoff *	<b>Innovative Growth Leader</b> , Omaha Home for Boys
	Voting	Doug Lenz*	<b>Director</b> , Central Plains Center for Services
	Voting	Bailey Perry	<b>Transitional Living Manager</b> , Omaha Home for Boys, Jacob's Place
	Non-Voting	Jennifer Skala*	<b>Senior Vice President</b> , Nebraska Children and Families Foundation
	Voting	Lana Verbrigghe*	<b>Director of Child Welfare Services</b> , Child Saving Institute
A representative of the Legislative Branch of Government	Non-Voting	Kristen Stiffler <b>(Commission Member Designee)</b>	<b>Legal Counsel</b> , Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature
	Non-Voting	Anna Wishart	<b>Senator</b> , Nebraska Legislative Council
A young adult currently or previously in foster care	Voting	Whitney Beck	<b>Young Adult Previously in Foster Care</b> , N/A
	Voting	Vernon Davis* <b>(Commission Member)</b>	<b>Young Adult Previously in Foster Care</b> , N/A

\*Holds this position as a current member