

#### **Digital Story DVD Order Form**

#### **To order Digital Stories on DVD:**

- 1. Please complete the following order form.
- 2. The price of \$25 per DVD covers shipping, handling and production costs.
- 3. We accept checks only, payable to California Youth Connection. (We do not accept credit cards.)
- 4. Please mail your order form and check to:

California Youth Connection Attention: Y.O.U.T.H. Training Project 1611 Telegraph Avenue, Suite 1100 Oakland, CA 94612

# See page two for detailed descriptions of the Digital Story collections.

"There is no more powerful tool than Digital Stories to present the youth perspective and experience to adults."

- Child Welfare Professional

#### Part 1 – How many DVDs do you want?

DVD Compilation	Quantity	Cost/DVD	Total Cost
What Made a Difference: Foster Youth Talk About Resiliency (contains 10 digital stories)		\$25.00	
<b>Doing What's Right:</b> Exploring Strengths in Social Workers and Foster Parents (contains 10 digital stories)		\$25.00	
Total Cost of Purchase		x \$25.00	

#### Part 2 – Where do you want your DVDs mailed?

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#### **Digital Story Compilation Descriptions**

"Using this medium for raising awareness and as a training tool is brilliant! The positive impact is broad and unprecedented. [Our organization] has purchased 30 copies of each to provide to our chapters in our new organizing toolkits."

## What Made a Difference: Foster Youth Talk About Resiliency

(DVD collection, 10 stories, \$25)

This digital story collection explores how youth resiliency was successfully supported by relatives, foster parents, social workers, life circumstances, and more.

- Robert: The loss of his mother and the role a teacher and CASA worker played in supporting him.
- Haydée: How a strong woman on the outside feels on the inside; what it means to be a mother.
- Lori: Compelling story about moving from negative labels to strength based identities
- Susan: An adoptee's experience in an abusive home; powerful poetry that expresses pain and tells secrets.
- Carolyn: A political poem/tale of success despite the obstacles of racism, violence, and foster care.
- Jimmy: A high achiever tells of shame, embarrassment and his struggle for normalcy.
- **Aaron:** A story of loss, sexual abuse, drug addiction, and reuniting with his mother.
- Laura: Overcoming sibling sexual abuse and demanding that truth be heard; also, her positive relationship with foster parents.
- Georgette: Looking beyond case notes, a foster mother's support, and help that made a difference.
- Alexandra: Tells the secrets of her mother's sexual abuse and how connection with an aunt made a difference.

### Doing What's Right: Exploring Strengths in Social Workers and Foster Parents

(DVD collection, 10 stories, \$25)

In a strengths-based approach, ten current and former foster youth share their positive experiences with social workers and foster parents.

- **Nikki:** A therapist taking the step up to adopt her client; and a young woman becomes part of a family.
- **LaToya:** A social worker respecting family ties and an ILP worker who took the extra step.
- Joe: Looking inside, finding what was missing: a supportive foster family.
- Allan: How one foster mother could have rejected a young man for stealing, but instead made it an opportunity to show him unconditional love.
- Sade: The poetic story of a youth going from a "nobody" to a "somebody," with the support of her social worker.
- Salonje: Questioning the love of her "mother," and how her aunt answered the question.
- GayLynn: The importance of unconditional love from foster parents, and one young man's journey to believe in it.
- Kevin: A group home that makes youth feel as though they are in the most caring and loving of families.
- Megan: Choosing between her birth family and foster family, and the patience that led her to true family.
- Viola: A young woman finding her "dream family," and the support they provided to help her become successful and independent.