

**Los Angeles Valley College**  
**Student Learning/Service Outcomes – Student Services**

**Department Name:** Youth Empowerment Strategies for Success (YESS)

**Department Description:** (Provide a brief description of the department.)

Youth Empowerment Strategies for Success (YESS) is a comprehensive and integrated program that unites community partners and academic leaders to empower foster youth to successfully transition into independent living. The YESS program provides services that focus on life skills training and academic performance with the objective of achieving self-sufficiency, college degree or certificate completion, and employment. The YESS program classes and services are offered on the LAVC campus.

<b>Student Learning Outcome</b>	<b>Evaluation Strategies</b>
Students will demonstrate an increased score on the Post Ansell-Casey Life Skills Assessment (ACLSA)	Scores of both the pre-test and post-test are recorded, reviewed and sent to various agencies.

<b>Service Outcome</b>	<b>Evaluation Strategies</b>
Peer Mentor will contact youth monthly and offer additional services available to foster youth.	Case logs are kept with youth contact information recorded.
Program will link youth to community resources including Transitional Resource Centers, EDD One -Stop Centers, additional financial resources and tutoring services.	Various surveys/documents measure student's knowledge and locations of various resources.
YESS will conduct Wide Range Achievement Test (WRAT) and Ansell Casey Life Skills Assessment (ACLSA) with each youth referred to the YESS program.	Student that completed the ILP class will improve scores on post-ACLSA.
Youth referred to the YESS program will be contacted once a week to schedule the required assessments prior to enrolling in the Independent Living Program (ILP).	Case logs with contact information is kept for every youth in the database.