



## Report Cites Need For NY College Support After Foster Care

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ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — New York's Board of Regents has approved providing college support to 340 youths and young adults coming out of foster care.

The program, with \$1.5 million in the current state budget, was first proposed by a coalition of social service and advocacy groups.

The initial plan approved last week is expected to provide counseling financial aid, college preparation, tutors and other support to 190 students in the state university system, 90 in the city university system and 60 at private colleges.

That's expected to apply beginning with enrollments next fall.

The **Fostering Youth Success Alliance** estimates 4,000 young adults in New York's foster care system are college age, and only 20 percent will ever step onto a campus as a student.