



## 2024 Shoulder to Shoulder Foster Care Alumni Panel Questions

1. Please introduce yourself, including your name and pronouns.
2. What is something you would like everyone to know about you (e.g. hobby, interest, special talent)?
3. How long were you in foster care and how many placements did you have?
4. How often did you get to visit or have contact with your family, including siblings? Were there things that would have been helpful or supportive in maintaining your connections with family?
5. Were you able to maintain social and cultural connections while in foster care? If so, what did that look like?
6. What would have felt helpful or supportive to you from the professionals (caseworker, CASA, attorney, therapist, ILP worker, etc.) involved in your case?
7. What qualities or traits do you believe are most important to have as a resource or adoptive parent?
8. What was one of the most difficult things about being in foster care?
9. What are you currently up to and what are your plans for the future?
10. What final piece of advice would you give to folks who are supporting young people in foster care?

If time allows, and panelists agree, invite conference attendees to ask questions of the panelists. Panelists always have the option to pass or decline answering any question.