

Jordan Otero, Former Foster Youth, Muncie Indiana

Jordan Michael Otero, a former foster youth from Indiana, has become a dedicated advocate and case manager for George Junior Republic, an all-boys non-profit residential facility in Indiana. Jordan has addressed various audiences, including foster parents, senators, representatives, and Indiana Department of Child Services executives and case managers, emphasizing the crucial support needed for older foster youth transitioning out of care. Jordan played a significant role as the leader of the Indiana Youth Advisory Board (IYAB) before taking a break to focus on education and family-building. Presently, he contributes to the Indiana Association of Resources and Child Advocacy (IARCA) foster alumni policy team and serves as a L.E.A.D. Ambassador for Foster Success, participating in advocacy efforts at state and national levels. Jordan has a bachelor's degree in general studies with a concentration in Social Work from Ball State University. His post-graduation commitment involves working with foster children, aspiring to establish a nonprofit dedicated to ensuring all children feel heard, loved, and equipped with the resources needed for success in life.