

Carlos King Strengths/Needs/Culture Discovery

Family Long Range Vision: For Carlos to be able to come home and manage his anger.

Carlos King is 13 years old, currently living at Christie School in an A&E bed.

Carlos lives with Maria, his little brother, Jesus (age 5), and his mom's friend, Veronica in a very small rural community in Oregon, about 85 miles from Christie School.

Maria recently separated from Jesus' dad, Steve.

Carlos was having a rough time at home; he was being physically aggressive towards mom. Carlos is currently on probation (assault charges). Carlos's probation officer is John Smith.

When Carlos was 4 years old, he went to live with his dad, Matthew, in Missouri.

Carlos returned to Oregon to live with mom when he was 11 years old.

Matthew at one point told Carlos that Maria was dead.

Carlos came to live with Maria heavily medicated (13 medications) and he is now taking two medications.

Mom believes that Carlos is very smart young man, but she recognizes that he has a mental illness and she would like to learn more about his diagnosis.

When Carlos gets mad and frustrated he is likely to run away.

Maria believes that Carlos has a problem with authority because he often refuses to follow rules and doesn't care about Maria's expectations.

Maria tends to give her children choices; she tends to offer a list of things they can choose from.

Maria also tends to be consistent with her answers, for example: no means no, she has a no hitting or fighting rule, and no gossip.

Maria also encourages her kids to be independent and do things on their own. Carlos does his own laundry at times and he also heats his own food.

Carlos likes reading and he is a bright student, he tends to be a model student according to his teacher at Christie School.

Prior to his placement at Christie School, he was not successful in mainstream school.

His teacher at the Crossroads classroom was Richard. Carlos was seen at school by Karla, counselor with the local Education Service District.

Maria had a stable relationship with a boyfriend (Steve); Carlos's negative behaviors and conflicts impacted the relationship and they stopped seeing each other.

Carlos didn't get along with Steve because he provided support for Maria, encouraged discipline, and intervened when Carlos was physically aggressive towards Maria.

Maria and Steve remained friends during the time apart and they started dating again soon after Carlos's placement. Maria is happy to have Steve back in her life, and they are thinking about living together again.

Carlos has refused phone calls from his dad and mom on several occasions.

He has expressed interest in a foster placement.

Carlos has admitted to Maria that he acts out in order to get his way.

Maria is currently living with her friend, Veronica.

Maria likes the town; she believes it is a safe, quiet and calm environment.

Maria's family lives in southern California; she said she didn't have any family members living near her now except for a brother who lives in Eugene, but she doesn't have contact with him because he is not a positive influence in her life due to his current life style and negative choices.

Maria is not working at this time; she is looking for a job.

Maria suffers from spinal deterioration, her calcium in her bones is minimal and her tissue in the bones continues to deteriorate, limiting her ability to do any physical labor.

Maria is having trouble finding a job that doesn't require physical labor.

Maria is currently having a hard time financially.

Jesus' dad, Steve, is providing the only financial support at this time.

Maria attends church on Sundays; she and her family consider themselves Christians.

Maria mentioned that Carlos attended youth group when he lived with her.

Maria doesn't have many friends; her only nearby friends at this time are her roommate and Steve.

Maria has one friend who lives in Dallas, Oregon, and 2 other friends who live in Salem. Maria has a hard time making friends because she doesn't trust people in general.

Maria and the kids like going to the park, playing basketball at the park, playing at home, renting family movies; they go to the library as a family, ride bikes, and play board games occasionally.

Carlos also enjoys playing videogames, especially the new games for Xbox.

The family has the most fun when they go on swimming outings to the river.

Carlos likes to listen to country music, hard rock and some rock-n-roll.

Carlos and his family tend to celebrate traditional American holidays, and sees themselves as a traditional American family; Maria was born in the states in an English speaking household.

Family's identified priority needs:

1. For Carlos to have safe home visits.
2. Carlos needs to learn ways to deal with his anger so he stops running away every time he is upset and/or frustrated; and improve his communication and relationship with his mom.
3. Maria needs more friends and social supports.
4. Carlos needs more activities that allow him to be successful and make friends.
5. Financial stability.

Potential Team Members:

Carlos King	Youth
Maria King	Mom/facilitator
Veronica	Mom's friend
Steve	Jesus' dad/mom's significant other and best friend
Karla	Counselor
Ron	In-home skills trainer for Carlos
Ishawn	Wraparound Facilitator
Xavier	Christie School staff
Tammy	Family Support Partner

I have read and agree this captures our family's strengths, needs and culture:

Parent Signature

Youth Signature

Date