

## AFFIDAVIT OF YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE STATUS FOR FEE EXEMPT CERTIFIED COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE

### INFORMATION

- A fee exempt copy of a birth record may be obtained from the local registrar or county recorder office in the county where the registrant was born. A fee exempt copy cannot be obtained from the State Registrar.
- Each eligible person may only receive one fee exempt birth record, per application.
- Requests for fee exempt copies are still subject to other requirements outlined in the application for obtaining copies of birth records.
- Applications for a certified copy of a birth record may be obtained by contacting the vital records office in the county where the birth occurred.

Requirements for eligibility to receive a fee exempt copy of a birth certificate:

- Requests may be made by a youth in foster care on behalf of themselves or by any person lawfully entitled to request a certified record of live birth on behalf of a youth in foster care.
- A “youth in foster care” is an individual who is provided “foster care” as defined in subdivision (f) of Section 11400 of the Welfare and Institutions Code: the 24-hour out-of-home care provided to children whose own families are unable or unwilling to care for them, and who are in need of temporary or long-term substitute parenting.
- A county welfare agency with relevant knowledge of a youth’s foster care status must provide verification through completion of the affidavit.
- The affidavit will not be considered complete unless signed by both a county welfare agency and the person making the request for the birth record.

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PLEASE READ THE INFORMATION SECTION BEFORE COMPLETING THIS AFFIDAVIT

Pursuant to **Health and Safety Code Section 103578**, each local registrar or county recorder shall, without a fee, issue a certified record of live birth to any person who can verify his or her status as a youth in foster care. This affidavit must be used for the purpose of requesting a fee exempt certified copy of a Certificate of Live Birth.

## SECTION I.

*To be completed by the person making the request for the certified birth record (hereafter: "requestor")*

I, \_\_\_\_\_ swear or affirm, to the best of my knowledge and belief,  
**Printed Name of Requestor**

that on the date listed below in this section, I am:

\_\_\_\_ a youth in foster care;

**OR,**

\_\_\_\_ a person lawfully entitled to request a certified record of live birth on behalf of the

following youth in foster care \_\_\_\_\_,  
**Printed Name of Youth in Foster Care**

**Signature of Requestor** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION II.

*To be completed by a "county welfare agency"*

**Entity Name of County Welfare Agency Furnishing Verification of Youth in Foster Care Status:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ swear or affirm, to the best of my knowledge and belief,  
**Printed Name of County Agent**

that on the date listed below in this section, \_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name of Youth in Foster Care**

is a youth in foster care.

**Signature of County Agent** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_