



*"I have a life today I could never have imagined. You know, your fate does not have to be your destiny. Fate is what you are handed. Destiny is about what you could be. I'm living proof. The tragedies of my life no longer define me."*

Janiva Magness, alumna, age 52,  
award-winning Alligator Recording artist.

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More than 100 alumni contributed to *FLUX: Life After Foster Care*, a book written to support young people in the emotional transition from foster care to adulthood. There are many books aimed at supporting youth in this transition, and you should refer to those for information about things like how to rent an apartment, apply for college financial aid, or fix a broken car.

FLUX brings a real-life expertise that only people from foster care hold about navigating bio family relationships, learning to parent when your own experiences of being parented have been through 'the system', building support networks, and developing truly intimate relationships. We are real alumni, with real struggles, who have figured out some real ways to succeed.

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