

Kaysie Getty is a child welfare expert and dedicated advocate for young people and their families with experience working in community-based services, state systems, and on national policy.

A New Jersey native, Kaysie is currently a Senior Program Analyst at the Center for the Study of Social Policy working on the Youth Thrive Initiative. Prior to joining CSSP, she was at New Jersey Department of Children and Families (DCF), Office of Family Voice as their Youth Programming Advisor where she established a statewide Youth Council that infuses the voices of young people with lived experience into policy, practice, programing and operations at the Department.

Kaysie utilizes her professional and lived expertise to impact and reform systems change. Kaysie has existence experience as a facilitator, speaker, and trainer who infuses best practice models of youth engagement, healing centered engagement, youth voice and shared leadership with her personal life story to support young people in marginalized communities on their paths in life.

Most recently she is the co-host of Diaries of a Black Girl in Foster Care podcast that highlights the intersectionality and experiences of black girls in foster care. She also serves as a national federal consultant, Support Coach, trainer for National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) Reviewers through JBS International Inc. In 2020, Kaysie received Child Welfare League of America's 100 Champions for Children Award. She formerly served as a Board of Director Member for Foster Care Alumni of America.

Kaysie is also the founder of Sew EdUcated LLC a company that provides blue handmade stoles to young people and adults in and from foster care for their college graduations.