Like many preteens, Markia likes listening to music, watching movies, jumping rope, dancing and has recently enjoyed learning yoga. Markia loves to draw and can express her feelings through drawing and talking to others. While almost a teenager, she is still a kid at heart and enjoys playing with dolls. She is a caring child, which is shown by her compassion in caring for family pets and her eagerness to take on a helping role in the classroom. Markia responds well to one on one time and enjoys positive attention. She has had limited opportunity to find her own interests and is willing to try new things that others like in order to connect to them.

Educationally, Markia is doing well with the additional classroom assistance and structure her school provides. She is working on recognizing what interactions help promote positive relationships with peers and adults. She is involved in regular counseling and community support and it is recommended to continue.

Markia needs a family who is able to provide structure in a nurturing and calm way. She does well with positive role models around her. A family will need to be able to address her behaviors without taking things personally, focus on positive things and build self-confidence. Markia demands a lot of attention and therefore would do better with older, more independent siblings in her new family.

If you feel you are the family for Markia, I look forward to hearing from you!

To discuss if you are the right family for Markia, please contact Monica Svetz, Lorain County Children Services at 440-329-5340.