Youth Task Force

Quarterly Meeting 2/11/21



Youth Task Force

Co-Chairs: Nadia Pizarro & Ariel Peters

Workgroups / Subcommittees:

- → YHDP Lead Team
- → Community, Resource, Education
- → Youth Coordinated Entry
- → Youth Action Board



Today

- → Announcements
- → Project updates / referral info
- → YTF Workgroup / subcommittee updates
 - ♦ YHDP Lead, CER, CE, YAB
- → Youth Action Board activities and updates

New Project Updates

- Updates from each program:
 - Compass House TH-RRH / Resource Center
 - CMI TH-RRH / Resource Center "Falls Street Station"
 - Pinnacle Family Engagement Team
 - BestSelf Family Engagement Team
 - BestSelf Drop-In Center "Safe Space"

YHDP Lead Team

- Quarterly with whole team, bi-weekly with projects
- Whole team Cross -system referrals and data sharing
 - Strengthening partnerships to identify youth
- Projects YHDP Written Standards
 - YHDP TH-RRH guide complete will send out today for feedback
 - Family Engagement Team guide in progress

Community, Education, Resources Workgroup

- Working toward Coordinated Community Plan goals and educating the community
 - Action Item: Increase community education so community members can self-identify or refer other people to services. This includes training non-social service entities, such as law enforcement or 24-hour businesses on how to identify and respond to youth experiencing homelessness.

Community, Education, Resources Workgroup

- Utilizing the Homeless Awareness Task Force Model
 - 1st step: Members are working on gathering data & info for training materials
 - Resource Guide (ready in a few weeks will send out)
 - Send your info to peters@wnyhomeless.org to be included
 - Next step: Reach Out: End Youth Homelessness!

Thoughts or feedback?

Youth Action Board

- Social Media Training
 - YAB members leading us in social media marketing
- Entry/Exit Survey
 - Gathering qualitative data on YYA's experiences
- Food Equity
 - Beginning partnership with West Side Promise Neighborhood / Blue
 Cross Blue Shield on a food security response
- Leadership Development
 - Acceptance into the True Colors United Youth Action Society
- Funding Development/Consulting
 - Funding Youth Action Board members to collaborate on projects

Youth Coordinated Entry

- By Name Meeting updates
- Coordinated Youth Outreach and Family Engagement Team
- Coordinated Entry in Niagara Falls

Community and Youth Task Force Accomplishments



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2018

Youth Task Force and Youth Action Board continue to meet and strategize - identifying gaps and needs

9/2019

Speak Out! End Youth Homelessness event

10/2019

Youth Task Force kicks off Coordinated Community Plan

2018

2019

Summer 2019

Erie and Niagara
Counties awarded
Youth Homelessness
Demonstration Project
Grant from HUD

Community and Youth Task Force Accomplishments

Youth Task Force completes CCP **5/2020**

YHDP Lead Team and Youth Action Board finalize project details

Fall / Winter 2020

2021

Projects getting off the ground and YTF working toward CCP goals

2020	2021
Summer 2020 New projects selected	1/2021 Youth Action Board accepted into Youth Action Society



What's Next

- → Next quarterly YTF meeting Friday June 11th
- → We will send to you:
 - Referral forms, TH-RRH standards, resource guide
- → Let's End Youth Homelessness!