

Broome County



Youth Bureau

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# Mission

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*Working together to promote and encourage the development of a comprehensive system of services for children and youth through planning, funding, coordination, evaluation, and advocacy.*

We strive to work together, as a community, to provide the best possible services to all Broome County children and youth.

# What We Do

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The mission of the Youth Bureau is to promote and encourage the development of a comprehensive system of services and opportunities for children, youth and their families. We work in collaboration with local community-based agencies, schools, foundations, and county government to plan, coordinate and advocate for the well-being and protection of all youth, ages 0-21. As an established Youth Bureau in the State of New York we are required to maintain an Advisory Board consisting of a diverse group of community members. It is our mission to work closely with our community Advisory Board members to:

- Plan and coordinate services and youth development opportunities
- Study/examine different segments of the youth services system and issues that affect youth
- Assess youth needs to determine funding priorities
- Promote partnerships with local agencies to provide comprehensive services and positive youth development opportunities
- Provide funding to youth-serving agencies
- Monitor and evaluate Youth Bureau funded programs to ensure quality services
- Coordinate and monitor services for runaway and homeless youth
- Advocate for legislation, systems change, and funding to improve/assist the youth services system

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## Our 2008 Advisory Board Officers

**Chair:** Liz Woidt

**Vice Chair:** Donna Hill

### Members

Allison Alden	Donna Hill	Don Bowersox (Ex-Officio)
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### *Youth Bureau Staff*

**Beth Roberts** Executive Director

**Karen Foley** Youth Services Specialist/Runaway & Homeless Youth Coordinator

**Kathy Czebiniak** Senior Account Clerk Typist

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### *Message from the Executive Director*

Beth A. Roberts, MPA

We firmly believe that Youth Development is Community Development! Research shows that investing in young people early on pays off in the long run. Youth Development programs and activities provide resources young people need to develop into healthy contributing citizens. Prevention or youth development is much more cost effective than detention services down the road. For example, to house just one young person in a detention center could cost up to \$400 per day, while a youth development program for a young person could be anywhere from a \$100 to \$1,500 for an entire year. If we invest in our young people, we are investing in our community. Youth development prevents negative problems in the community and shows young people we care about them.

In 2008, over 50,000 young people were provided services, community opportunities and supports through Youth Bureau funding!

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## PLANNING EFFORTS

The mission of the Youth Bureau has always been to promote and encourage the development of a comprehensive system of services for youth as well as a variety of youth development opportunities. We work in collaboration with local community-based agencies, schools, foundations, and county government to plan, coordinate and advocate for the well-being and protection of all youth, ages 0-21.

Planning within the Youth Bureau continues to be an integral part of our function within the community. Ongoing planning includes our participation in many different planning groups throughout the community, many of which address specific youth and family issues. For more information about these groups see Appendix A.

The County Youth Bureau continues to explore new opportunities ensure that we are best serving families and youth in our community. With the support and encouragement from our Advisory Board members, the Youth Bureau began to make some positive changes. Highlights from the last 12 months include:



*Youth Leadership Conference & Legislative Breakfast 2008*

- In February 2008, the Broome County Youth Bureau and four area youth participated in the Association of New York State Youth Bureaus Youth Leadership Conference and Legislative Breakfast. These young people had an opportunity to meet with Senator Libous, Assembly member Crouch and Assembly member Lupardo in their Albany Office. They had the opportunity to tell each elected official about their youth bureau funded program and what it means to them.
- The Broome County Youth Bureau sponsored and conducted four Advancing Youth Development (AYD) trainings in 2008. AYD Professional Development for youth workers builds knowledge, skills and supports for youth workers, youth serving programs, and organizations. Using a positive youth development approach means that individuals, programs, and/or organizations intentionally guide and support this process with research based practice.
- In April 2008, the Broome County Youth Bureau partnered with the New York State Police Juvenile Officers Association to sponsor the WHY TRY? Training for local school personnel, social workers, probation officers, juvenile officers, youth workers and human service professionals. The training had over 100 people in attendance and was held at the Binghamton Holiday Inn. The Why Try Program is a strength-based approach to helping youth overcome their challenges and improve outcomes in the areas of truancy, behavior and academics. It is based on

sound empirical principles, including Solution Focused Brief Therapy, Social and Emotional Intelligence and multi-sensory learning.

- In April 2008, the Broome County Youth Bureau and the RHY Committee of the Homeless Coalition organized a networking meeting with local school districts to discuss issues surrounding runaway and homeless youth. Nine different school districts were represented and we hope to make this an annual event.
- The Broome County Youth Bureau was awarded \$50,000 in January 2008, from the Office of Children and Family Services to continue the Ready by 21 Quality Counts initiatives locally in our community. We were 1 out of 4 counties selected in this statewide initiative. The funding will be available for 2008 and 2009. This funding will provide the opportunity to work with High/Scope Educational Research Foundation and the Forum for Youth Investment in our continued efforts to align our resources to ensure that all young people in our community have quality opportunities, services, and supports.
- In April of 2008, the Broome County Youth Bureau hosted the High/Scope's Internal & External Youth Program Quality Assessment (YPQA) Assessors training. Broome County had 7 agencies trained in the YPQA Internal Assessment and 4 individuals trained as External Assessors. The Broome County Youth Bureau has subcontracted with Binghamton University's Center for Applied Community Research and Development (CACRD) to conduct external assessments on the 7 pilot agencies trained as Internal Assessors. Internal & External Assessments for these 7 agencies will be conducted in Year 1 & 2.
- The Executive Director of the Broome County Youth Bureau was elected to serve as the Co-Chair of the 2008 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Association of New York State Youth Bureaus Conference held in Syracuse, New York.
- In June 2008 and November 2008 the Broome County Youth Bureau in collaboration with FOX WICZ presented the Spirit of Youth Recognition Award to two local young people who are a positive role model and have succeeded with difficult odds. This collaboration will continue in 2009.



- In November 2008, the Broome County Youth Bureau and members of the RHY Committee tabled at the Oakdale Mall in recognition of National Runaway Prevention Month. While there, we distribute information about issues that surround homeless youth, parents, and schools. This has been an annual event since 2004.

- In November 2008, the Broome County Youth Bureau brought in Margo Hirsch, Esq., Executive Director of the Empire State Coalition of Youth and Family Services, to conduct training about the legal rights and issues of runaway and homeless youth. This training was targeted for school district personnel, human service agencies, law enforcement, probation, and youth workers.

## **ADVANCING YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**

Youth development is a natural process of change and growth that occurs between childhood and adulthood. It is greatly influenced by relationships and experiences. Using a positive youth development approach means that individuals, programs and/or organizations intentionally guide and support this process with research based practice.

The Advancing Youth Development Program in New York State (NYS) is a partnership between the NYS Office of Children and Family Services, the Association of New York State Youth Bureaus, Cornell University Cooperative Extension and the ACT for Youth Upstate Center of Excellence at Cornell University. The AYD program seeks to build knowledge, skills and supports for youth workers, youth serving programs and organizations. Throughout NYS, teams of experienced facilitators have been trained to deliver one or more of the three interactive AYD trainings. The trainings available include the 4-hour Youth Development Basics Workshop, the 6-hour Strengthening Organizations through Youth Development workshop and the 18-hour Advancing Youth Development curriculum.

Locally, we began our AYD initiative in collaboration with Cornell University Cooperative Extension of Broome County (CUCE-BC) in 1999. We continue to work closely with CUCE-BC on our own local AYD initiative.

## **RUNAWAY/HOMELESS YOUTH**

The Youth Bureau continues to financially support our only two certified Runaway/Homeless Youth Programs in Broome County – Berkshire Farm Center and Services for Youth LIFE House Program and the Catholic Charities Teen Transitional Living Program. In 2008 the LIFE House Program admitted a total of thirty-three unduplicated youth to the program with two youth being admitted on two different occasions. Three of the youth served had successful host home placements. The program also received a total of 143 hotline calls to the runaway hotline. In 2008 the Teen Transitional Living Program housed thirteen young people in their program. Two of the thirteen youth graduated from high school, three of the thirteen youth were accepted into college, and one youth joined the US ARMY. The program also received a total of 44 applications for housing and 153 inquiries about housing.

We continued to collect data about runaway and homeless youth from local providers throughout the community. Using the Runaway and Homeless Youth Data Report Surveys we are able to collect unduplicated data about the runaway and/or homeless youth that have reached out for services in our community.

We continue to see an increase in the number of youth who are homeless and reach out for services more than once during a year. In addition, another trend we are monitoring is the amount of young people who reach out when they are under age 18 and then again once they are over 18. The continuous instability of housing for these young people and many more in similar situations continues to be a major concern for us.

According to our 2008 RHY Data Surveys collected from several different service providers and schools, we identified 97 unduplicated youth, age 17 and under, that presented as a runaway or homeless youth or was at imminent risk of either and 78 unduplicated older youth between the ages of 18 and 21. It is important to note that these numbers do not represent the total picture of youth homelessness in Broome County as we are unable to identify and count all homeless youth. The numbers we compile come from those young people that actually reach out for services. Youth who are “couch surfing” or moving in and out of unstable housing situations are not easily identifiable.

The Youth Bureau is always involved with organizing some type of event during the month of November to recognize National Runaway Prevention Month. In November 2008, the Youth Bureau and the Runaway/Homeless Youth Committee of the Homeless Coalition held its annual outreach and awareness event at the Oakdale Mall. As always, we provided information and materials about local services for youth and were available to answer questions from youth and/or parents. In addition, a display table was set up at the Broome County Public Library during the entire month of November.

### **2008 ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDING**

The Youth Bureau does not provide direct services to youth in Broome County. All services are contracted out to community-based organizations and local municipalities. A total of \$558,767 in State Aid funding was administered by the Youth Bureau for Recreation, Youth Development, Runaway and Homeless Youth, Delinquency Prevention, Youth Employment/Work Readiness, and Program Evaluation services and activities during the 2008 program year. The Youth Bureau managed 17 county contracts and administered municipal youth recreation program applications to twenty different municipalities including the Broome County Parks and Recreation Department and the City of Binghamton Parks and Recreation Department. For more information about the programs and services funded in 2008, please see Appendixes B - D.

### **MONITORING**

Monitoring and evaluation of Special Delinquency Prevention Program (SDPP), Youth Development/Delinquency Prevention (YDDP), Runaway Homeless Youth Act (RHYA) programs, and new programs is done through review of monthly statistical and quarterly narrative reports. In 2008, on-site visits were conducted with the SDPP and RHYA-funded programs. This included a fiscal audit of each program as well. Results from the site visits, needs assessment and reviewing of monthly and quarterly reports are used to determine future allocations. In addition, both the Executive Director and the Youth Services Specialist/RHY Coordinator are regularly involved in community planning activities related to children, youth and families.

Improved monitoring of the municipal programs claiming process to assist in the reimbursement from NYS to the Towns and Villages continues. All municipal claims continue to flow through the Youth Bureau before submittal to New York State.

Also continued in 2008 was the uniform monthly/quarterly-reporting format for all SDPP, RHYA, and YDDP programs. The outcome-based quarterly reporting format has continued to increase efficiency of monitoring the SDPP, RHYA and YDDP programs.

Additionally, the Broome County Youth Bureau received a \$50,000 Ready by 21™ Quality Counts grant from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services. This grant has provided the Youth Bureau with the opportunity to work with the Binghamton University Center for Applied Community Research and Development (CACRD). Working in collaboration with the CACRD we have been able to successfully

implement a new and exciting way to assess youth programs. This tool, created by the HIGH/SCOPE® Educational Research Foundation, is called the Youth Program Quality Assessment or YPQA. It is a nationally recognized, validated instrument designed to evaluate the quality of youth programs and identify staff training needs. It has been used in community organizations, schools, camps, and other places where youth have fun, work, and learn with adults. After extensive training, the CACRD now has the capacity to provide technical assistance in administering the YPQA tool to evaluate the quality of Youth Bureau funded projects.

The YPQA evaluates the quality of youth experiences as youth attend workshops and classes, complete group projects, and participate in meetings and regular program activities. For staff, the YPQA process is a great way to learn about what is really happening in their programs and to build professional competencies.

The Youth Bureau Advisory Board receives regular reports on the activities of the Youth Bureau. These reports are reflected in the minutes of each 2008 Advisory Board meeting. The Broome County Executive is also kept informed of Youth Bureau activities. In 2008, this was achieved through written reports from the Executive Director submitted on a monthly basis to the Deputy County Executive.

## **MUNICIPAL PLANNING EFFORTS**

In December of 2008, the Youth Bureau surveyed municipalities to collect information of program services by zip-code. In 2009, we will partner with Binghamton University Center for Applied Community Research and Development to review the results. In addition, we have used our new Youth Program Quality Assessment tool with three municipalities to assess quality of their youth recreational and service programming.

### **Ready by 21™-Ready for College, Work and Life!**



All youth ready for college, work & life.

In 2008, the Broome County Youth Bureau received a \$50,000 Ready by 21™ Quality Counts grant from the Office of Children and Family Services. As highlighted under the “Monitoring” section of this report. In 2007 – before accepting the Quality Counts initiative grant – the Broome County Children & Youth Services Council & the County Youth Bureau sponsored the *Forum for Youth Investment--Ready by 21* Conference. Over 125 youth workers, elected officials, school personnel and work development specialists attended the day-long conference. It was very successful, helping to begin the conversation about the services, opportunities, and supports (our program landscape) we currently offer our young people. Since the conference, we have continued to keep attendees and key stakeholders involved in our local RB21 efforts by hiring a part-time coordinator to help us keep organized and track our efforts. We have also utilized the developmental domain dashboard, breaking down each concept and offering a brown-bag lunch series on each domain (working, connecting, learning, leading, and thriving) every other month from October 2008 – June of 2009. We defined each domain from the materials given by the Forum for Youth Investment, and invited practitioner panelists who exemplify the concept of domains in their work and throughout our community for a presentation and discussion.

During 2008, staff from the Broome County Youth Bureau also met with senior staff from the Broome County Health Department to review the RB21 developmental domain dashboard. After the meeting, staff from the County Health Department filled in the dashboard, assigning their internal programs a place in the greater programmatic landscape. This process helped the department to visualize the number of programs they offer, to what age groups, and identified what domains were strong, and where there existed opportunities for improvement. We will continue this dialog with additional human services department in Broome County in Year 2 of the Quality County initiative.

In April of 2008, the Broome County Youth Bureau hosted the HIGH/SCOPE ® Internal & External Youth Program Quality Assessment (YPQA) Assessors training. Broome County had 7 agencies trained in the YPQA Internal Assessment and 4 individuals trained as External Assessors. The Broome County Youth Bureau has subcontracted with Binghamton University's Center for Applied Community Research and Development (CACRD) to conduct external assessments on the 7 pilot agencies trained as Internal Assessors. Internal & External Assessments for these 7 agencies will be conducted in Year 1 & 2.

The CACRD has leveraged the support from the Quality Counts initiative to conduct a more extensive examination and analysis of youth-serving organizations throughout Broome County. Looking at the community at three levels – the individual youth worker, the program/organization, and the system of youth-serving organizations at the county level – to identify the relationships between programs being offered, and the needs of Broome County youth. A social network analysis survey of our 7 participating agencies will be the pilot project to examine these relationships, and will offer a unique perspective on the program landscape. Important here is the expertise of the CACRD in network analysis – in this case an examination of the referral network of youth-serving programs and organizations – and the applicability of what we will learn from the analysis. This process will provide the groundwork for the ultimate county-wide analysis, and assist in future public policy decisions. In the interim, areas where there is a lack of information – or just misinformation – can be identified, and the Youth Bureau can address any gaps in the flow of information between youth-serving organizations. Additionally, we'd like to continue to share information collected with key stakeholders in our community to continue and strengthen the dialog of ensuring that our young people are Ready by 21™.

We believe that the relationship that we have built with our local University is a strength and asset to our Ready by 21 initiatives. Many community based organizations, local government and law enforcement are working with CACRD to strengthen their own internal & external operations. In addition, working with CACRD has strengthened our community's capacity to make our Ready by 21™ efforts a moving train!

# APPENDICES

## APPENDIX A SUMMARY PLANNING PROCESS

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### **Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Services Coalition (Teens Link)**

**Membership:** Mothers & Babies Perinatal Network of SCNY, Inc. – Lead Agency  
30 Member group with representatives from: BOCES, Family Enrichment Network, Chenango Forks School District, Planned Parenthood, Boys and Girls Club, YWCA, Binghamton City School District, Lourdes Youth Services, BC Gang Prevention, STAP, United Way, Family & Children’s Society, Health Dept, New Horizons Chemical Dependency Treatment Program, Susquehanna Valley High School, BC Youth Bureau.

**Mission Charge:** The purpose of this group shall be to afford an opportunity for representatives from the community to participate in formulating, implementing, and evaluating the Adolescent Community Services Project. This group shall further address issues and service needs of adolescents in Broome County.

**Meeting Frequency:** Monthly

**Focus:** Adolescent parents are less likely to complete high school and far less likely to go on to college. The children of adolescents are more likely to experience poor health, school failure and poverty. Infants born to teen mothers are at higher risk of prematurity, fragile health, need for intensive care, cerebral palsy, epilepsy and mental retardation as well as infant mortality.

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### **Advancing Youth Development**

**Membership:** Youth Bureau & Cornell Cooperative Extension – Lead Agencies  
Broome County Youth Bureau, Cornell Cooperative Extension, BC Health Dept, Self Sufficiency Center, Berkshire Farm Center and Services for Youth, Catholic Charities, Boys & Girls Club of Binghamton, DSS

**Mission Charge:** The AYD training teaches five positive youth development concepts or principles through a variety of activities and discussion: Youth Developmental Outcomes; Adulthood; Youth Participation/Youth Voice; Supports and Opportunities; and Core Competencies of Youth Workers.

**Meeting Frequency:** Training is 18 hours for the full Advancing Youth Development course, and 4 hours for the BASICS Course and 6 hours for Strengthening Organizations through Youth Development.

**Focus:** The training has institutionalized the basic principals of positive youth development in Broome County agencies and programs serving youth; increased the knowledge and skills of frontline youth workers; supported recognition of youth work as a valued profession; and initiated and strengthened local community networks for youth development.

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### **Coordinated Children’s Service Initiative – Tier II**

**Membership:** Catholic Charities – Lead Agency  
Catholic Charities, Binghamton Psychiatric Center, Vestal Schools, Family & Children’s Society, Union Endicott Schools, Mental Health, DSS, Crisis Center, NYSOCFS, OMR, Mental Health Association, Lourdes, Health Dept, BOCES, Probation, Children’s Home of Wyoming Conference, NYSOMH, BC Attorney’s office, Youth Bureau

**Mission Charge:** CCSI is an innovative approach to working with families who are in need of help from a variety of service providers. CCSI is a process families and providers can use to recognize, honor, and utilize strengths to address difficulties. We believe that every family has strengths, which we build upon to develop an action plan.

**Meeting Frequency:** Monthly

**Focus:** The focus of CCSI is to create changes in the county infrastructure that will lead to decreases in residential placements of children with emotional and behavioral disabilities in the mental health, child welfare, education and juvenile justice systems.

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### **Children & Youth Services Council**

**Membership:** Council officers voted on annually.

120 Member group, including schools, non-profits, DSS, Mental Health, Youth Bureau, and Probation.

**Mission Charge:** The mission of the council is to advocate the development of a comprehensive and integrated human service system for all Broome County children, youth and their families, through planning implementation and coordination of appropriate prevention, education and treatment services. Priority will be given to those children, youth and families who are at-risk.

**Meeting Frequency:** Bi-Monthly by the school calendar. Working committees meet monthly.

**Focus:** The CYSC is a direct offspring of past efforts at sorting out the youth services system. It came into being in September 1984. There is a shared perspective that prevention is much more effective and less costly than intervention, after a problem has become serious.

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### **Early Childhood Coalition**

**Membership:** Health Department – Lead Agency

Youth Bureau, Broome Community College, Broome County Health Dept., DSS, Binghamton City School District, Lourdes Hospital, Family Enrichment Network, united Health Services, Greater Binghamton Coalition, Broome-Tioga Chief School Officers' Association, united Way, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Decker, Gaffney, Hoyt and Klee Foundations, and Mothers and Babies Perinatal Network.

**Mission Charge:** The coalition serves as an advocate for effective parenting, healthy children and quality child care/early education.

**Meeting Frequency:** Monthly

**Focus:** Too many of our children, even those who graduate from high school, leave school without the basic skills needed to succeed. Research shows that this is because so many reach school without the key prior experiences — listening, speaking, interaction with peers and adults, and exposure to books — needed to realize their learning potential during school years. Remediation and special education are far more costly than early developmental efforts with infants and toddlers.

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### **BC Family Violence Prevention Council**

**Membership:** The Council is made up of 40 members of private agencies, government agencies, community at large and clergy. Members are appointed for a three-year term. Council member nominees are submitted to the County Executive and Legislature for approval and appointment. There is a coordinator and part time clerical staff that provides guidance and coordination for Council activities.

**Mission Charge:** The mission of the organization shall be to reduce the incidence and severity of Family Violence in Broome County including child abuse and neglect, domestic violence and elder abuse, by developing and implementing a comprehensive, coordinated community program for preventing, as well as identifying, assessing and treating all forms of Family Violence. There are eight committees of the Council.

**Meeting Frequency:** Full Council meets every other month. (Six times per year). Each committee meets at least six times per year except for nominating.

**Focus:** The Council strives to provide interagency coordination and management of cases to maximize institutional responses to family violence. The Council encourages and supports coordinated, cooperative development of programs and services designed to provide prompt professional crisis intervention, treatment and prevention of family violence. The Council supports and provides training for professionals who deal with all forms of Family Violence. The Council facilitates public education and awareness of the issues of Domestic Violence, Child Abuse and Elder Abuse in the community. The Council provides advocacy for local, state, and federal legislation targeted to prevent or eradicate family violence.

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### **Homeless Coalition of Broome County**

**Membership:** Coalition officers voted on annually.

Broome County Executive Office, Broome County DSS, Broome County Youth Bureau, Broome County Health Department, Broome County Probation, Volunteers of America, Catholic Charities, Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth, Binghamton Housing Authority, UHS, YWCA, YMCA, Fairview Recovery Services, Veterans Service Center, Mental Health Association, Southern Tier AIDS Program, Binghamton University, Rescue Mission, Opportunities for Broome, concerned community members, homeless and formerly homeless individuals.

**Mission Charge:** The mission of the Coalition is to develop and advocate for the continuum of care available for homeless persons in Broome County. The purpose of the Coalition is to create and maintain a partnership between government entities, educators, local businesses, service providers, concerned citizens, and consumers to ensure a continuum of housing and supportive services aimed at the elimination of homelessness in Broome County, including the City of Binghamton and the Town of Union.

**Meeting Frequency:** Monthly

**Focus:** To raise awareness of homelessness in our community. The Coalition works to facilitate the collaboration and coordination of service providers to meet the needs of homeless individuals, families and youth.

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### **Juvenile Justice Taskforce**

**Membership:** DSS – Lead Agency

Youth Bureau, DSS, Mental Health, Probation, Law Department, Detention Coordinator

**Mission Charge:** To assure effective, appropriate, and timely services to youth in the Juvenile Justice system.

**Meeting Frequency:** Quarterly

**Focus:** Our particular focus is prevention. Our performance targets are to: target 70% of PINS complaints to be successfully adjusted at intake; target 160 PINS youth at intake with specific high risk and needs for evaluation; target 50% of PINS case plans to be completed within 30 days of the initial probation intake meeting; target 350 PINS youth at diversion to participate in effective interventions that specifically target the behaviors underlying the primary complaint; and to reduce adjudicated PINS youth residential placements by .5%.

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### **Runaway/Homeless Youth Committee**

**Membership:** Youth Bureau – Lead Agency

Broome County DSS, Broome County Mental Health, YWCA, YMCA, Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth, Catholic Charities TTLP, Lourdes PACT, Broome County Probation, Windsor School District, Fairview Recovery Services, Broome County Executive Office

**Mission Charge:** To develop a continuum of care for runaway and homeless youth through prevention, advocacy, provision of services, empowerment of youth, access to safe, secure and stable living environments, preparing our youth for self-sufficiency, and by teaching our youth to be accountable and responsible.

**Meeting Frequency:** Monthly

**Focus:** The committee is officially a subcommittee of the Homeless Coalition but has always existed with major support from the Youth Bureau. Focus continues to be raising awareness of runaway and homeless youth issues, collecting data to support the need for an emergency shelter for youth under 18, and to remove barriers for young people seeking services, supports, and opportunities within our community.

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### **Youth Prevention Partnership – KYDS Coalition**

**Membership:** Mental Health – Lead Agency

Law Enforcement, Human Services, Youth Bureau, Mental Health, DSS, OASAS, Public Health, Media, UE Schools, JC Schools, ME Schools, Chenango Forks Schools, Lourdes Youth Services, YWCA, Endwell Rotary, McCue Advertising and Public Relations, WBNG, Broome County Council of Churches, BC Probation, Southeastern Organization of PTA, and Press & Sun Bulletin.

**Mission Charge:** The Broome County Youth Prevention partnership is Keeping Youth Drug-free and Safe (KYDS Coalition) is a collaborative effort to create opportunities for supportive, healthy, drug-free youth, families, and neighborhoods in Broome County.

**Meeting Frequency:** Monthly

**Focus:** Reduce youth substance abuse in Broome County; provide a comprehensive picture of BC's youth and family profile and needs, resources, planning efforts, key findings, and recommendations. Implemented the risk and protective factor framework that influence substance abuse and developed research based strategies to reduce risk and increase protection. Created systems changes by enhance community efforts to promote and deliver effective substance abuse prevention strategies among multiple sectors of the community.

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### **Integrated County Planning**

**Membership:** Youth Bureau, DSS, Mental Health, Office for Aging, County Executive's Office, Information Technology, Probation, Office of Employment and Training, Health Department, United Way of Broome County, Community Foundation of South Central New York/Hoyt Foundation, and Chief School Officers

**Mission Charge:** To establish and maintain and integrated, interagency planning process that will effectively guide the allocation and management of human services resources in Broome County.

**Meeting Frequency:** Bi-Monthly

**Focus:** To ensure that appropriate, coordinated investments are made in human services at the County level through process of open discussion and consensus-building among various County departments. To monitor human service needs in the community. Keep informed about human services being offered by other providers in the community. Work to maintain good communication and collaboration among County departments and current members.

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### **Broome County Department of Social Services Advisory Board**

**Membership:** Department of Social Services - Lead Agency

SOS Shelter, Broome County Urban League, Lourdes Hospital, Mental Health Association, United Way, Opportunities for Broome, Broome County Legislature, Family Enrichment Network, Fairview Recovery Services, Catholic Charities, CASA, United Health Services, Volunteers of America, Action for Older Persons, American Civic Associates and community members

**Mission Charge:** We promote self-sufficiency and assure the protection of vulnerable individuals. We value the needs of our customers, the contributions of our staff and the participation of our community. We achieve our goals through a culture which encourages continuous improvement.

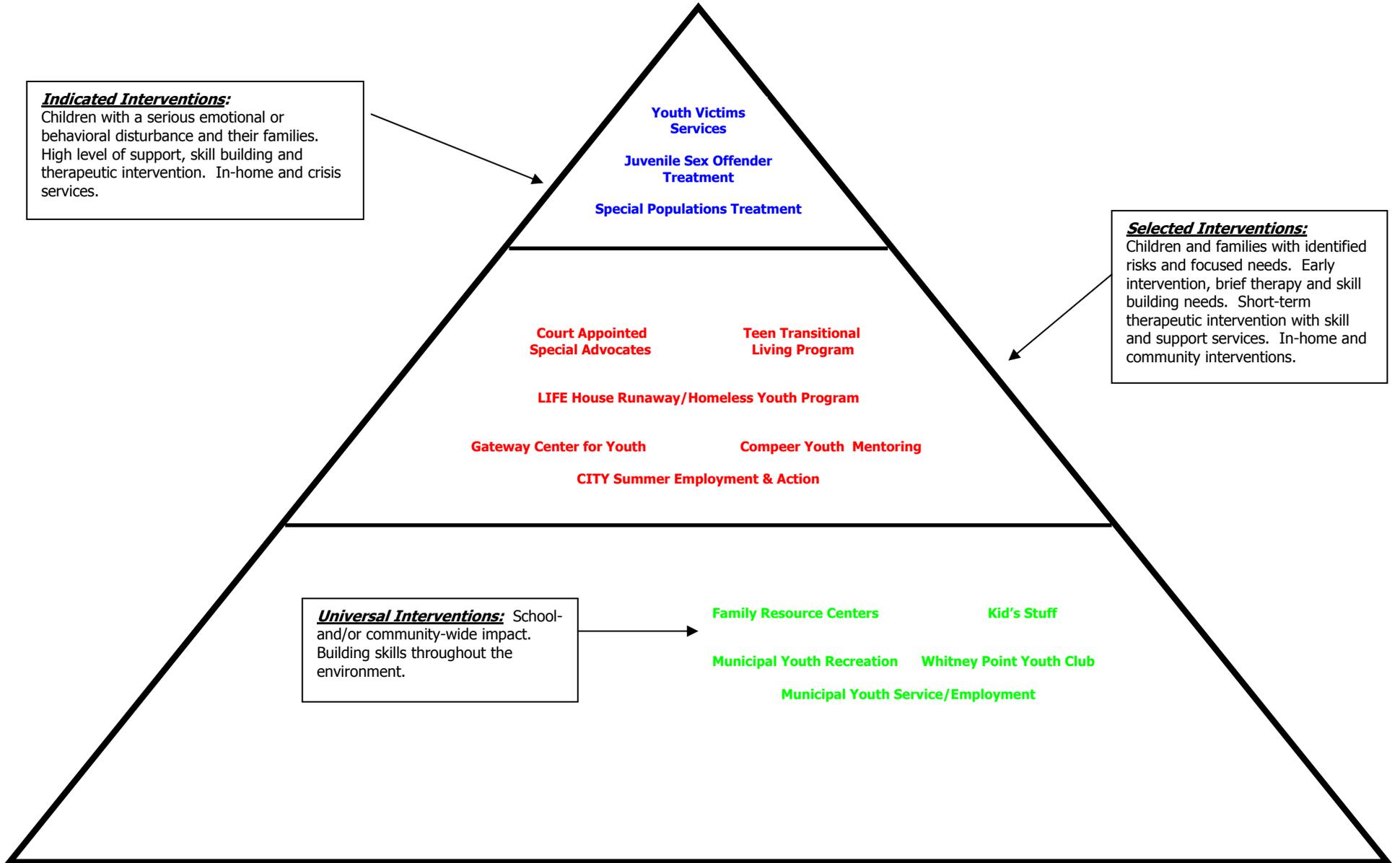
**Meeting Frequency:** Monthly

**Focus:** Provide advice to principal policy setting and administrative officials of the Broome County Social Services in all aspects of public welfare administration affecting program development and policies in the areas of public assistance, medical services, food stamps and family and children's services. Assist the Commissioner in keeping the Department's programs and services relevant to the needs of the citizens of Broome County. Provide assistance and recommendations in the development of the State and Local Plans for delivery of service.

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# APPENDIX B

## Broome County Youth Bureau Program Intervention Triangle



## APPENDIX C

### 2008 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, DELINQUENCY PREVENTION AND RUNAWAY/HOMELESS YOUTH PROGRAMS

SPONSORING AGENCY	PROGRAM NAME	2008 NUMBER OF YOUTH SERVED	YDDP	SDPP	RHYA
ACCORD	<i>Court Appointed Special Advocates</i>	91	\$ 11,280.00		
Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth	<i>LIFEHouse Runaway/Homeless Youth Program</i>	33		\$ 9,065.00	\$ 28,215.98
Catholic Charities	<i>Gateway Center for Youth</i>	153		\$ 37,091.00	
Catholic Charities	<i>Teen Transitional Living Program</i>	13	\$ 24,265.16		\$ 24,673.12
Cornell Cooperative Extension	<i>Kid's Stuff</i>	175	\$ 8,145.10		
Cornell Cooperative Extension	<i>Summer Employment and Action</i>	18		\$ 21,120.00	
Crime Victims Assistance Center	<i>Prevention Education Program</i>	8852	\$ 8,460.00		
Crime Victims Assistance Center	<i>Youth Victims Services</i>	504		\$ 15,378.00	
Family & Children's Society	<i>Juvenile Sex Offender Treatment Program</i>	13		\$ 16,698.87	
Family & Children's Society	<i>Special Populations Treatment Program</i>	56	\$ 28,200.00		
Mental Health Association of the Southern Tier	<i>Compeer Youth Mentoring</i>	24	\$ 14,100.00		
Mothers & Babies Perinatal Network	<i>Family Resource Centers</i>	735	\$ 19,929.68		
Whitney Point Youth Club	<i>Youth Recreation</i>	536	\$ 2,069.88		
<b>TOTALS</b>		11,203	\$ 116,449.82	\$ 99,352.87	\$ 52,889.10

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## MUNICIPAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT/DELINQUENCY PREVENTION PROGRAMS

SPONSORING MUNICIPALITY	NAME OF PROGRAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	2008 NUMBER OF YOUTH SERVED	2008 YDDP FUNDS
Broome County Parks & Recreation	<i>Finch Hollow Nature Center</i>	Provides educational/enrichment opportunities for children and families through outdoor experiences.	7,795	\$ 57,407.68
City of Binghamton	<i>Youth Recreation</i>	Golf, Soccer, Pee Wee Football, Basketball, Tennis, Track & Field, Cheerleading, Minor League, Greenman League, & Little League Baseball, T-Ball, Jr. & Pee Wee Softball	13,000	\$ 12,474.74
	<i>Summer Fun</i>	Arts & crafts, sports, and educational projects for youth ages 3-12.	802	\$ 10,945.36
Town of Binghamton	<i>Youth Recreation</i>	T-Ball, Pony League, Softball, Little League & Teener Baseball, Teener Softball, Soccer, Basketball, Bowling, Flag Football	1,000	\$ 1,523.74
Town of Chenango	<i>Youth Recreation</i>	Softball, Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Wrestling, Aerobics, Gymnastics, Soccer, T-Ball, Swimming, Arts & Crafts	1,133	\$ 3,258.98
Town of Colesville	<i>Field Hockey</i>	Recreational field hockey for girls ages 10-13 in July & November.	36	\$ 841.30
	<i>Advanced Kid's Stuff</i>	Arts & Crafts play experience for children 6-9 years old for 6 weeks in the summer.	11	\$ 942.82
Town of Conklin	<i>Youth Recreation</i>	Baseball; Softball; Soccer; Flag Football; Basketball	441	\$ 1,810.44
	<i>Conklin Youth Commission</i>	Community activities for children and their families during spring, summer and fall.	414	\$ 1,588.60
Town of Dickinson	<i>Recreation</i>	Baseball: Tee Ball, Coaches Pitch, Farm League, Little League, Babe Ruth; Softball; Swimming; Soccer; Basketball	186	\$ 713.46
	<i>Summer Fun</i>	Educational trips, arts & crafts, and remedial reading program for children in kindergarten through 6th grade. Runs 4 weeks in July.	68	\$ 626.04
Village of Port Dickinson	<i>Recreation</i>	Baseball: Tee Ball, Coaches Pitch, Farm League, Little League, Babe Ruth; Softball; Swimming; Soccer; Basketball	combined program with Town	\$ 501.96
	<i>Summer Fun</i>	Educational trips, arts & crafts, and remedial reading program for children in kindergarten through 6th grade. Runs 4 weeks in July.	combined program with Town	\$ 440.86
Town of Fenton	<i>Recreation</i>	Softball, Baseball, Basketball, Soccer, Swimming and Holiday Parties.	200	\$ 1,932.64
Town of Kirkwood	<i>Youth Recreation</i>	Easter Egg Hunt, Mini Girls and Boys Baseball, Little League, Teener League, Softball, Flag Football, Cheerleading, Soccer, Basketball.	350	\$ 1,529.38
	<i>Summer Fun</i>	Arts & Crafts, music, storytime, science, and sports programs for children ages 3-5 and 6-12. Program runs for 6 weeks in the summer.	150	\$ 1,342.32

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SPONSORING MUNICIPALITY	NAME OF PROGRAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	2008 YOUTH SERVED	2008 YDDP FUNDS
Town of Lisle	Summer Recreation	Summer swimming program for boys & girls, ages 4-20. Pool is open from June to the first week in September.	100	\$ 376.00
Village of Lisle	Summer Recreation	Summer swimming program for boys & girls, ages 4-20. Pool is open from June to the first week in September.	combined program with Town	\$ 93.06
Town of Maine	Summer Recreation	Arts & crafts and swimming.	200	\$ 1,617.74
Town of Sanford	Recreation	Swimming lessons & public swim for all youth during July and August.	150	\$ 453.08
Village of Deposit	Recreation	Swimming lessons & public swim for all youth during July and August.	combined program with Town of Sanford	\$ 530.16
Village of Endicott	Summer in the Park	Arts & crafts, supervised games, supervised contests, special events, swimming, playground activities offered at George W. Johnson park & Mersereau park in connection with the Boys and Girls clubs in BC.	225	\$ 3,319.14
	Juvenile Aid Bureau	Educational programs and services to discourage delinquency among youth under 16. Programs are based out of the Juvenile Aid Division of the Endicott Police Department.	262	\$ 2,912.12
Village of Johnson City	Youth Recreation	Arts & crafts, swimming, softball, soccer, junior and pony league baseball, girls & boys basketball, track & field, and field trips to county parks.	385	\$ 3,761.88
	Summer Youth Program	Community youth center offering a free lunch & summer civic engagement and community service program for youth between the ages of 6 and 15.	85	\$ 3,300.34
Town of Vestal	Recreation Playground Park Act	Various games, sports, crafts, nature activities, and special events are offered at the 13 recreational playground sites in Vestal. Program runs during the summer.	717	\$ 9,757.20
	Youth Library Outreach	Mobile unit travels throughout Vestal offering educational games, books, and toys for children in the park programs.	combined with Recreation program	\$ 1,338.56
	Delinquency Prevention	Preventative program for youth in Elementary, Jr. High, and Senior High schools in Vestal.	2,592	\$ 5,784.76
	Project Land	Environmental education for youths all year round and a two week summer camp for Vestal youth.	184	\$ 1,529.38
Town of Windsor	Recreation	Flag football, cheerleading, basketball, wrestling, summer basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball, and wiffleball.	1,797	\$ 1,830.18
	Employment Program	Program provides training for youth baseball & softball umpires and basketball referees.	50	\$ 1,605.52
Village of Windsor	Recreation	Swimming lessons, teen swimming and adult swimming.	1,820	\$ 280.12
	Youth Service	Reading program for youth and arts & craft program with the nursing home.	100	\$ 245.34
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>			34,253	\$ 136,614.90