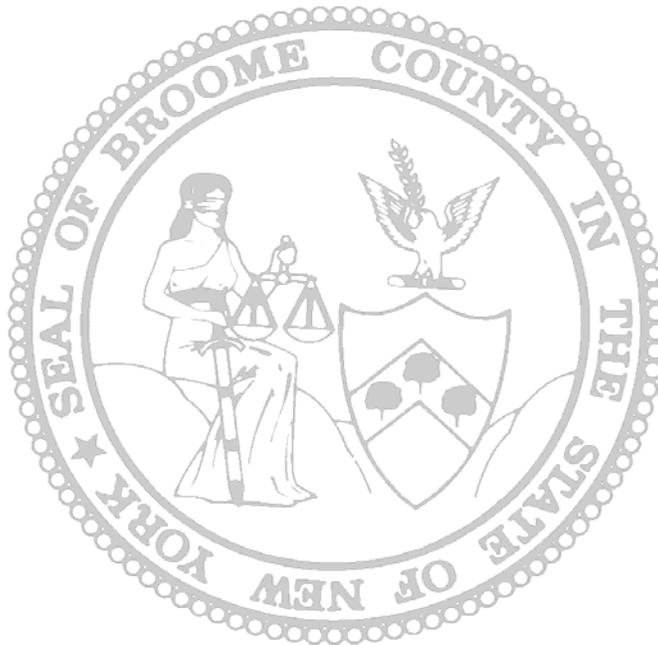


BROOME COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU



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MISSION

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

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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Message from the Board Chair

Paul R. Gould, LMSW

The notion of change is necessary for growth while, at the same time, often eliciting a feeling of anxiety. Yet it is the nature of change that the Youth Bureau embraced in 2005. We welcomed new Executive Director, Beth Saxton, along with several new Advisory Board members. We undertook the daunting task of evaluating ourselves, our processes and priorities in order to ensure that we are best serving the families and youth of this community.

The Youth Bureau is committed to supporting opportunities for positive youth development. Those opportunities may come for young parents learning to raise a new child, or children learning to protect and advocate for themselves. These opportunities are also present in specialized programs that enable young people to examine circumstance in their lives and to foster greater resilience for life's challenges. Whether it be learning sportsmanship on a ball field or developing a greater sense of self through specialized programs, these youth are developing skills for life.

It is through the dedication of the staff and Advisory Board members that the Youth Bureau continues to support a comprehensive continuum of services for youth and families throughout Broome County. In 2005, the Youth Bureau looked inward so that in the years ahead we may have the ability to better support the complex needs of our youth and this community.

Message from the Executive Director

Beth Saxton

One year ago, I was given the opportunity to lead the Broome County Youth Bureau. This opportunity was a welcomed challenge and continues to provide me with great satisfaction. I am proud to note, that the Youth Bureau has made a smooth transition because of the dedicated staff, advisory board members and community partners that believe in our mission. It is an exciting time for the Youth Bureau not only because we've made it through this past year of transition but also because we are moving forward on some really exciting projects.

One of those exciting projects includes working closely with Mayor Ryan's administration to establish a municipal youth bureau to be located in City Hall. Establishing a municipal youth bureau will help to strengthen the planning and coordinating efforts for youth development programming in our County! On behalf of the Youth Bureau, I look forward to assisting the City with this new venture in 2006.

The past year has also given me an opportunity to get to know some very talented and passionate individuals that work very hard on behalf of families in our community. It's amazing the efforts that are taking place to provide families with community supports and opportunities that will help their children reach their full potential. I am proud that the Youth Bureau can be part of these ongoing efforts.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to our advisory board members and staff for their hard work and dedication this past year. You are the backbone of the Youth Bureau and it is with your support that we are able to grow and evolve as an organization. I am excited to continue working with you to reach our goals in 2006.

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.

January 2005 brought change in leadership for the Youth Bureau. This change in leadership brought about an opportunity for the Youth Bureau to reexamine its current practices and explore new opportunities. With the support and encouragement from our Advisory Board members the Youth Bureau began to make some positive changes. Highlights of the last 12 months include:

- Extension of all but one of our current 2005 contracts for one year at their current allocation level
- Decision was made to issue a new Request for Proposal (RFP) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year
- The new RFP will include new monitoring and evaluation requirements, extended length of contracts, and Advancing Youth Development training will be added as a new recommendation for programs seeking Youth Bureau funding
- Advisory Board Planning Committee initiated the development of a logo contest to give local youth the opportunity to create a logo for the Youth Bureau and also began working on the development of a Youth Bureau *Youth of the Month* award process to hopefully begin in the fall of 2006
- Continued collaboration with the Department of Social Services in an effort to update our joint Child and Family Services plan
- Development of an effort to increase awareness and support for the needs of our runaway and homeless youth population
- Development of a community-wide runaway/homeless youth needs assessment process

In August 2005, the Youth Bureau and the Department of Social Services (DSS) held a Community-Wide Forum to solicit comments regarding our current Child & Family Services Plan (CFSP). There were more than 45 people in attendance which we see as a huge success. We received many good suggestions and incorporated those suggestions into our Annual Plan Update for 2005. Additional efforts to reexamine our joint CFSP are ongoing as we continue to strengthen our continuum of services and opportunities for children, youth and families. The Youth Bureau and DSS have also met with key leaders from Chemung County to discuss their efforts of information gathering and monitoring of their CFSP. In December 2006, the Youth Bureau and DSS will be required to submit a new three year CFSP. It is our goal to incorporate a method to monitor this plan and to provide a clear picture of the continuum of services and opportunities provided the Youth Bureau and DSS.

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. In September 2005, the Executive Director of the Youth Bureau completed 11 hours of training to become a facilitator in Strengthening Organizations through Youth Development. In October 2005, the Executive Director and Youth Services Specialist received their certification as facilitators in BASICS Advancing Youth Development. We currently have a team of 12 local professionals trained in one or more of the three AYD trainings.

In May 2005, the Youth Bureau partnered with CUCE-BC in its application to the Department of Health ACT for Youth grant for the purpose of expanding our AYD initiative. Unfortunately we were not awarded with this grant but continue to move forward on this initiative.

RUNAWAY/HOMELESS YOUTH

We have made great strides this past year with our efforts to serve the runaway and homeless youth population of Broome County. In the spring of 2005 we convened a small group of local professionals to begin a discussion about assessing the community's awareness and support on the issue. We made a decision to utilize the Community Readiness Model (CRM) which was developed out of the Tri-Ethnic Center for Prevention Research at Colorado State University. This model is designed to assist individuals with defining an issue and assessing a community's readiness for change, increase the capacity for prevention and intervention and build cooperation among systems and individuals. Using the CRM to measure the degree to which our community is prepared to take action on the issue of runaway and homeless youth will then help us to develop strategies to address the issue.

The Youth Bureau secured an intern from Binghamton University's Human Development Program in spring 2005 to create a database to compile the results from the CRM surveys. A second intern was secured and will be conducting the one-on-one interviews with key individuals from our community as well as compiling the results. We are anticipating that the results will be used to develop strategies to improve resources and access to resources for all runaway and homeless youth under the age of 21. Strategies will also include conducting a runaway and homeless youth community-wide needs assessment to be completed in 2006.

The Youth Bureau has also continued to collect data about runaway and homeless youth from local providers throughout the community. This data is collected on monthly and annual basis through our

RHY Data Surveys and the NYS OCFS RHYA Annual Survey of Services. According to our 2005 RHY Data Surveys collected from 10 different local housing and/or other service providers almost 200 unduplicated youth were identified as runaway, homeless or at risk of either during the year. In addition, the compilation of our NYS OCFS RHYA Annual Survey of Services shows that a total of 137 youth under the age of 21 sought shelter, for at least one night, with a local housing provider in 2005. Our local 24-hour runaway hotline also received a total of 96 calls throughout the year. For more information please see Appendix B.

Another important achievement in 2005 was the improved connection and collaboration with local school districts. The RHY Data Survey was updated in 2005 to include information about which school districts were attended by runaway and homeless youth. Copies of the submitted RHY Data Surveys are now sent to each respective school district to assist them with identifying and assisting runaway and homeless youth from their school districts. We continue to work closely with local school districts to ensure that the needs of children and youth experiencing homelessness are being met in a timely manner. The Youth Bureau also continues to provide technical assistance to local service providers regarding the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and how it affects children and youth experiencing homelessness.

2005 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 \$460,000 in state aid funding was administered by the Youth Bureau for Recreation, Service, Youth Development, Runaway and Homeless Youth, and Delinquency Prevention services and activities during the 2005 program year. The Youth Bureau managed twenty-two 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 2005 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 2005, on-site visits were made to each agency including a fiscal audit of each program funded through the Youth Bureau. Results from the site visits, needs assessment and reviewing of monthly and quarterly reports were used to determine 2006 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 was also continued in 2005. The majority of municipal claims continue to flow through the Youth Bureau before submittal to New York State.

Also continued in 2005, was the uniform monthly/quarterly-reporting format for all SDPP, RHYA, and YDDP programs. The new outcome-based quarterly reporting format took effect in March of 2002. This reporting format has continued to increase efficiency of monitoring the SDPP, RHYA and YDDP programs.

The Youth Bureau Advisory Board receives regular reports on the activities of the Youth Bureau. These reports are reflected in the minutes of each 2005 Advisory Board meeting. The Broome County Executive is also kept informed of Youth Bureau activities. In 2005, this was achieved through written reports from the Executive Director submitted on a monthly basis to the Deputy County Executive.

GOALS FOR YEAR 2006

- Assist the City of Binghamton in its application to establish a municipal youth bureau at City Hall.
- Continue our partnership between Cornell University Cooperative Extension of Broome County to facilitate a spring and a fall series of Advancing Youth Development training.
- Implement the Youth Bureau Logo Contest set for fall of 2006. The Youth Bureau currently lacks a logo and we'd like to give local area youth the opportunity to design a logo for the Youth Bureau.
- Establish the Youth Bureau Youth of the Month award by fall of 2006. Currently, our Advisory Board Planning Committee is working on this project.
- Continue to work on strengthening and streamlining our Request for Proposal process. The goal is to simplify the process for those applying and for those reviewing and approving the proposals.
- Continue working with the Department of Social Services to strengthen the continuum of services and activities for children, youth and families identified in our Child and Family Services Plan.
- Continue to lead the effort to define goals, gather data and develop a comprehensive continuum of services for runaway and homeless youth, including the implementation of a runaway/homeless youth needs assessment.
- Continue to monitor and evaluate all residential services provided for runaway and homeless youth under the age of 21.
- Lead the effort to utilize the Community Readiness Model as a planning tool for implementing services for runaway and homeless youth throughout our community.
- Educate the community regarding youth issues, needs and problems and advocate for the adoption of strong legislation to better serve our youth.
- Support and advocate for programs that focus on building assets and opportunities for youth that will aid in healthy youth development.
- Provide management and monitoring for contracted services and municipal youth programs.
- Continue to act as the lead entity in planning efforts for youth in Broome County including the assessment of local youth needs and the development of strategies to address those needs.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A SUMMARY PLANNING PROCESS

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.

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.

Center City Coordination Project (C3)

Membership: Binghamton University – Lead Agency
Six Task teams including members from Binghamton University, Association for Vision Rehabilitation and Employment, BC Youth Bureau, City of Binghamton Economic Development, BOCES, NYS DOL, Cornell Cooperative Extension, BC DSS, BC Office of Employment and Training, Transportation and YWCA, YMCA, and the Binghamton Housing Authority.

Mission Charge: The C-3 Program, initiated through BU’s School of Education and Human Development, will coordinate efforts to help the residents of Districts 7 and 9 improve their overall quality of life. Initially, C-3 will focus on five areas of concern including community organizing and planning, housing issues, training and job placement, education and health and well being.

Meeting Frequency: Monthly

Focus: C3 has initiated and/or participated in over 75 community activities and programs benefiting more than 2,000 residents in the City of Binghamton Council districts 7 & 9. Some of these activities include: One-on-one GED tutoring; computer training for adults and seniors; community dinners; life-skills workshops at the Broome County Jail; support for blind individuals; programming and support for social development/interaction in the congregate living environment; outreach and informational events for adults on job openings, job training, transportation, daycare, and support services.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Homeless Coalition of Broome County

Membership: Coalition officers voted on annually.

DSS, Youth Bureau, Health department, Mental Health department, Probation, Volunteers of America, SOS Shelter, Catholic Charities, Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth, Binghamton Housing Authority, UHS, YWCA, YMCA, Fairview Recovery Services, Veterans Service Center, Carroll Street Mission, City of Binghamton Planning, Mental Health Association, Southern Tier AIDS Program, Broome Recipient Affairs, Binghamton University, The Haven, 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 chronic homelessness and other homelessness in Broome County, including the City of Binghamton and the Town of Union. o continue to develop and advocate for the continuum of care available for homeless persons in Broome County.

Meeting Frequency: Monthly

Focus: HUD Continuum of Care grant application successfully awarded to Broome County projects past 4 years in a row. Emergency shelter funds were secured from the Broome County Department of Mental Health for individuals who are in need of emergency housing who are sanctioned by the local DSS. These funds have been managed by Fairview Recovery Services members of the Coalition.

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: Monthly

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%.

Runaway/Homeless Youth Committee

Membership: Youth Bureau – Lead Agency

DSS Central Intake, Mental Health, Probation, YWCA, YMCA, Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth, Catholic Charities TTLP, Southern Tier AIDS Program, Mental Health Association, Lourdes PACT, DSS Adult Protective, BC Probation, Windsor School District,

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 RHY Committee has identified the following goals for 2006: Host a conference specifically addressing the issues surrounding runaway and homeless youth and their legal rights; develop and complete “The State of Broome County”, a comprehensive assessment of runaway and/or homeless youth, services, and gaps in services, in our community; implement a support group/workshop for parents of youth who are at-risk of running away or becoming homeless; increase members on the committee to include youth members.

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.

Broome County Head Start Policy Council

Membership: Opportunities for Broome, Inc. - Lead Agency

Community members, Head Start parents/teachers, and employees of Head Start

Mission Charge: To provide a structure for parents and community to participate in the process of making decisions about the nature and operations of the Head Start program. To help set policies and to evaluate all components of Head Start Program. To serve as a link between the Head Start Program, public and private organizations, neighborhood councils, the Grantee Board of Directors, and the community services by the Head Start program. To plan, coordinate and organize Head Start agency wide activities for parents and/or children with the assistance of staff. To help accomplish the goals set forth by the Head Start Program Performance Standards.

Meeting Frequency: Monthly

Focus: To understand and assist in the development of a quality program for Head Start children and their families which will provide for comprehensive individual services critical to the child’s development, including medical and dental care, nutritional support, and a program of daily activities designed to meet the needs and to fully develop the potential of each child. To provide opportunities for parents to become more active participants in the community in which they live. To ensure that the Head Start Program meets the requirements of HHS and receives the funds and services required to make the program successful. To support and assist the program in achieving its objectives, as defined in Head Start Performance Standards.

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.

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.

APPENDIX B

2005
Youth Admitted to Local Housing Programs
(sought shelter for at least one night)

GENDER

	TOTALS
Male	43
Female	94
TOTALS	137

AGE AT ADMISSION

Thirteen	1
Fourteen	1
Fifteen	0
Sixteen	13
Seventeen	21
Eighteen	43
Nineteen	36
Twenty	22
TOTALS	137

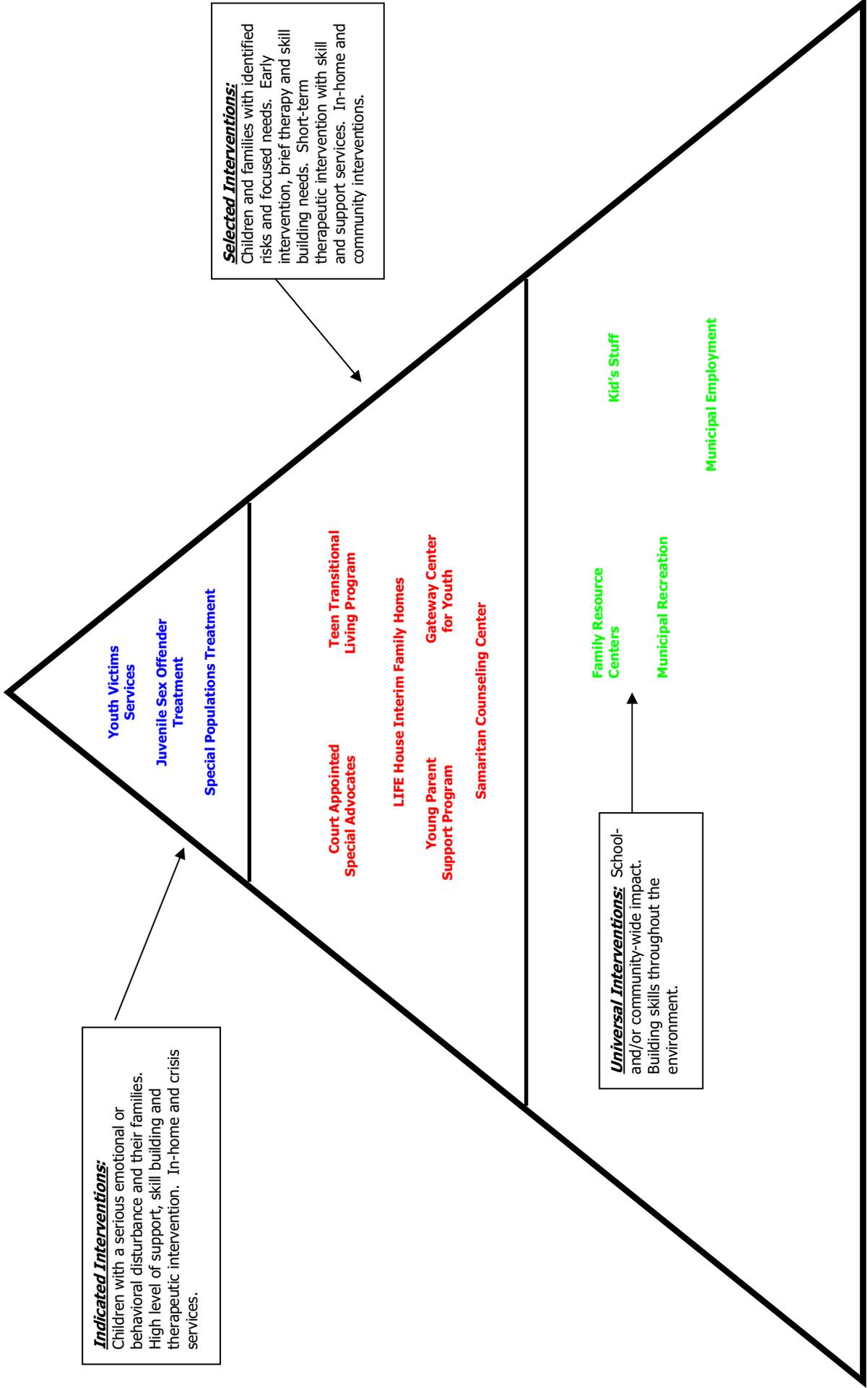
ETHNICITY

Native American/ Alaskan Native	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	2
Black (non-hispanic)	28
Hispanic	11
White (non-hispanic)	90
Bi-Racial	6
TOTALS	137

Notes: Data was obtained only from agencies that completed a NYS RHYA Annual Survey of Services. Data from some local housing agencies may be missing. Some youth may have been admitted to more than one program during the year.

APPENDIX C

Broome County Youth Bureau Program Intervention Triangle



Indicated Interventions: Children with a serious emotional or behavioral disturbance and their families. High level of support, skill building and therapeutic intervention. In-home and crisis services.

Selected Interventions: Children and families with identified risks and focused needs. Early intervention, brief therapy and skill building needs. Short-term therapeutic intervention with skill and support services. In-home and community interventions.

Universal Interventions: School- and/or community-wide impact. Building skills throughout the environment.

Youth Victims Services
 Juvenile Sex Offender Treatment
 Special Populations Treatment

Court Appointed Special Advocates
 Teen Transitional Living Program
 LIFE House Interim Family Homes
 Young Parent Support Program
 Samaritan Counseling Center

Family Resource Centers
 Kid's Stuff
 Municipal Recreation
 Municipal Employment

APPENDIX D

2005 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, DELINQUENCY PREVENTION AND RUNAWAY/HOMELESS YOUTH PROGRAMS

	PROGRAM NAME	PROJECTED NUMBER OF YOUTH TO BE SERVED	ACTUAL NUMBER OF YOUTH SERVED	YDDP	SDPP	RHYA
Crime Victims Assistance Center, Inc.	Youth Victims Services	6,175	16,595	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 12,992.00	
Family & Children's Society	Special Populations Treatment Program	75	75	\$ 30,000.00		
Family & Children's Society	Juvenile Sex Offender Treatment Program	12	13		\$ 17,672.00	
Catholic Charities	Teen Transitional Living Program	20	19	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 28,030.00	\$ 27,000.00
Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth	LIFE House Runaway/Homeless Youth Program	15	45			\$ 15,916.00
Catholic Charities	Gateway Center for Youth	250	183		\$ 35,000.00	
Lourdes Hospital	Family Support Program	10	17		\$ 13,911.00	
Samaritan Counseling Center	Youth Counseling Project	40	53	\$ 14,400.00		
Whitney Point Youth Club	Youth Recreation	400	727	\$ 3,015.00		
Cornell Cooperative Extension	Kid's Stuff	200	239	\$ 8,239.00		
ACCORD	Court Appointed Special Advocates Program	75	78	\$ 12,000.00		
Mothers & Babies Perinatal Network	Family Resource Centers of Broome County	2,400	3,073	\$ 25,000.00		
Girl Scouts Indian Hills Council	Thirteenth Moon	22	37	\$ 5,600.00		
TOTALS		9,694	21,154	\$116,254.00	\$105,605.00	\$42,916.00

APPENDIX E

2005 MUNICIPAL YOUTH PROGRAMS

SPONSORING MUNICIPALITY	NAME OF PROGRAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	NUMBER OF YOUTH TO BE SERVED	ACTUAL NUMBER SERVED	COST of GRANT
Broome County Parks & Recreation	Recreation	Provides outdoor leisure opportunities to all BC residents. Programs are generally offered throughout BC's parks, schools, and public areas.	20,000	20,000	\$ 58,767.00
City of Binghamton	Youth Recreation	Golf, Soccer, Pee Wee Football, Basketball, Tennis, Track & Field, Cheerleading, Minor League, Greenman League, & Little League Baseball, T-Ball, Jr. & Pee Wee Softball	13,178	13,000	\$ 12,770.00
	Summer Fun	Arts & crafts, sports, and educational projects for youth ages 3-12.	1,015	987	\$ 11,268.00
Town of Binghamton	Youth Recreation	T-Ball, Pony League, Softball, Little League & Teener Baseball, Teener Softball, Soccer, Basketball, Bowling, Flag Football	1,000	1,000	\$ 1,560.00
Town of Chenango	Youth Recreation	Softball, Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Wrestling, Aerobics, Gymnastics, Soccer, T-Ball, Swimming, Arts & Crafts	1,133	1,133	\$ 3,336.00
Town of Colesville	Field Hockey	Recreational field hockey for girls ages 10-13 in July & November.	20	46	\$ 740.00
	Baseball	Summer recreational baseball for boys & girls in grades 5-12 or 10-19 years old.	30	21	\$ 332.00
	Advanced Kid's Stuff	Arts & Crafts play experience for children 6-9 years old for 6 weeks in the summer.	50	24	\$ 755.00
Town of Conklin	Youth Recreation	Baseball; Softball; Soccer; Flag Football; Basketball	295	441	\$ 1,853.00
	Youth Service Program	Community activities for children and their families during spring, summer and fall.	295	300	\$ 1,635.00
Town of Dickinson	Recreation	Baseball: Tee Ball, Coaches Pitch, Farm League, Little League, Babe Ruth; Softball; Swimming; Soccer; Basketball	225	225	\$ 730.00
	Summer Fun	Educational trips, arts & crafts, and remedial reading program for children in kindergarten through 6th grade. Runs 4 weeks in July.	100	225	\$ 644.00
Village of Port Dickinson	Recreation	Baseball: Tee Ball, Coaches Pitch, Farm League, Little League, Babe Ruth; Softball; Swimming; Soccer; Basketball	combined program with Town	combined program with Town	\$ 514.00
	Summer Fun	Educational trips, arts & crafts, and remedial reading program for children in kindergarten through 6th grade. Runs 4 weeks in July.	combined program with Town	combined program with Town	\$ 454.00
Town of Fenton	Recreation	Softball, Baseball, Basketball, Soccer, Swimming and Holiday Parties.	200	200	\$ 1,979.00
Town of Kirkwood	Youth Recreation	Easter Egg Hunt, Mini Girls and Boys Baseball, Little League, Teener League, Softball, Flag Football, Cheerleading, Soccer, Basketball.	350	350	\$ 1,566.00
	Summer Fun	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	150	\$ 1,382.00
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.	134	125	\$ 400.00
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	combined program with Town	\$ 95.00
Town of Maine	Summer Recreation	Arts & crafts and swimming.	200	194	\$ 1,656.00
Town of Sanford	Recreation	Swimming lessons & public swim for all youth during July and August.	200	100	\$ 464.00
Village of Deposit	Recreation	Swimming lessons & public swim for all youth during July and August.	combined program with Town	combined program with Town	\$ 543.00

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SPONSORING MUNICIPALITY	NAME OF PROGRAM	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	NUMBER OF YOUTH TO BE SERVED	ACTUAL NUMBER SERVED	COST of GRANT
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.	178	180	\$ 3,398.00
	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.	5,335	1,073	\$ 2,998.00
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.	2,435	2,435	\$ 3,851.00
	JC Community Outreach	Youth ages 6-14 participate in various arts & crafts and sporting activities at the JC YMCA, in connection with the JC DARE program.	85	89	\$ 3,398.00
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.	598	725	\$ 9,988.00
	Youth Library Outreach	Mobile unit travels throughout Vestal offering educational games, books, and toys for children in the park programs.	combined with Recreation program	combined with Recreation program	\$ 1,032.00
	Delinquency Prevention	Preventative program for youth in Elementary, Jr. High, and Senior High schools in Vestal.	3,200	2,921	\$ 898.00
	Project Land	Environmental education for youths all year round and a two week summer camp for Vestal youth.	240	198	\$ 1,627.00
	Delinquency Prevention and Intervention	Prevention and early intervention of juvenile delinquency, crime, suicide, child abuse, and substance use & abuse among Vestal youth.	106	103	\$ 5,256.00
Town of Windsor	Recreation	Flag football, cheerleading, basketball, wrestling, summer basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball, and wiffleball.	1,797	1,797	\$ 1,874.00
	Youth Employment Program	Program provides training for youth baseball & softball umpires and basketball referees.	50	50	\$ 1,653.00
Village of Windsor	Recreation	Swimming lessons, teen swimming and adult swimming.	1,820	1,820	\$ 287.00
	Youth Service	Reading program for youth and arts & craft program with the nursing home.	100	100	\$ 253.00
GRAND TOTALS			54,519	50,012	\$ 139,956.00