

HOPE 4 YOUTH

Providing Pathways to End Youth Homelessness

Building HOPE Project



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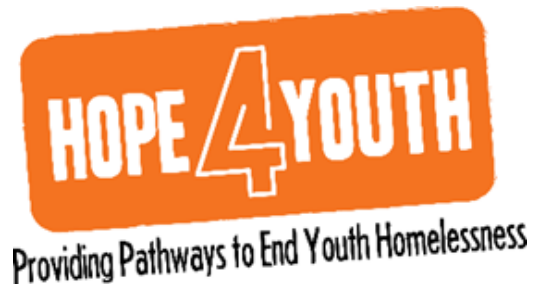
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Youth homelessness is REAL.

HOPE 4 Youth has continually expanded to meet the needs of young people experiencing homelessness in Anoka County, but **we've outgrown our footprint.** We're ready to do more in a facility built with an eye to the future.

The **Building HOPE Project** will allow us to share our successful programs with even more 16- to 24-year-olds who find themselves experiencing homelessness.



OUR MISSION

To provide pathways to end youth homelessness

OUR VISION

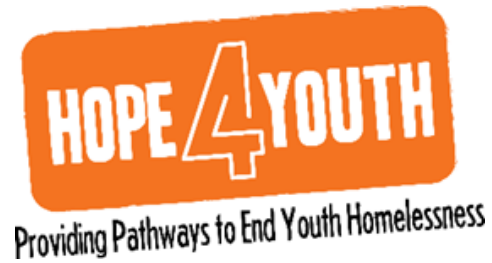
All youth will feel safe, valued, and supported while reaching their full potential. This begins with meeting their basic needs and leads to giving them the tools to thrive.

OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. Deepen our impact through high quality, high-impact programs and services
2. Create a diverse, equitable, and inclusive organization
3. Strengthen business practices to support high performance

OPERATIONAL FACILITIES

- Drop-In Center
- HOPE Place



2021 Drop-In Center Impact

314 youth served, 45% Increase in visit over 2020

61% Anoka Cty * 19% Hennepin Cty * 13% Ramsey Cty * 7% Other Cty

Youth Demographics

- 20% Under 18
- 20% Young parents
- 58% BIPOC
- 56% Female
- 42% Male
- 2% Nonbinary
- 19% LGBTQ

Services and Support

- 200 youth helped through 1,100 hours of case management
- 1,450 Meals served
- 1,422 Grab-and-go food/hygiene
- 840 Visits to clothing closet
- 250 hours of internet access
- 162 On-site partner services
- 350 Referrals to outside agencies



Our Approach

The young people we see at HOPE 4 Youth carry many burdens. We recognize that every young person is on their own journey — no two stories are the same. We are one touchpoint on their journey. As such, we have a four-fold approach when walking alongside youth. ¹

- 1) Trauma-Informed Care (TIC)**
- 2) Strengths-Based**
- 3) Client-Centered**
- 4) Harm Reduction**

¹ - Informed by “Measuring Up: Youth-level Outcomes and Measures for Systems Response to Youth Homelessness” from the University of Chicago, and the 2014 publication “9 Evidence-Based Principles to Help Youth Overcome Homelessness.”



HOPE 4 Youth FUTURE

Our ability to support even more young people with our proven strategies is constrained only by an existing rental facility with no capacity for expansion.

A new center would also expand access to our life-changing services that focus on creating:

- ▶ **Ongoing basic-needs support**
- ▶ **Stable housing**
- ▶ **Employment**
- ▶ **Education**
- ▶ **Healthy connections**
- ▶ **Social and emotional well-being**





Building HOPE Vision

- Located in Anoka County
- 10,000-15,000 Square Foot facility
- Primary site of Drop-in Center
- Primary site of Administrative office
- Expansion in partner collaboration and youth engagement
- Site – on public transportation
- Expansion for growth in future years
- \$8M purchase and renovation

Story of
SUCCESS

Kayla

24-year-old youth



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Questions?

