

NORTHFIELD youth first

Looking back to 2015-18 and looking ahead to 2019-21



A bit about Youthprise...

Founded in 2010 by the McKnight Foundation, Youthprise invests in the future of Minnesota by investing in youth. With a commitment to racial equity, it works to shift the trajectory for underserved young people.

Guided by a strengths-based approach, Youthprise works to transform how funders, institutions, providers and communities work with youth.

Youthprise approached Northfield HCI and the City of Northfield in 2015 about launching a shared partnership.

3 Components of Youth First

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

YOUTH HEALTH

YOUTH FUTURE

Why Northfield?

~ Relationship ~

Northfield has a strong, trusted relationship with Youthprise.



~ Leadership ~

Northfield is seen as one of the leading communities in Minnesota for youth development efforts.



~ Results ~

Exciting results have been achieved in the first 3.5 years of this partnership.



Speaking of Results...

~ Since the 2015 launch ~

YOUTH ON BOARDS



157 Northfield youth (unduplicated count) have served on local boards and commissions since 2015
~ 95 unduplicated positions ~

2014 - 2 boards
2017 - 22 boards

NORTHFIELD MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON YOUTH ALCOHOL & DRUG USE

Now Northfield ASAP – a formal city commission



- **Take It To The Box** has collected more than **23,000** pounds of unwanted medication since its inception
- **Tip 411** launched
- Supported **39 Northfield Night to Unite parties** last year, up from 21 the previous year
- Stalls Campaign: Participation by over **35** local businesses



Presented over a dozen times on the Youth First model (including recently at the League of Minnesota Cities Annual Conference)

YOUTHBANK



\$89,261 in grants awarded since 2015 to 30 different Northfield youth-led projects
~ **FIRST** YouthBank chapter in the U.S. that awarded grants ~



INTERNSHIPS

91 student internships since 2015

City summer internship program launched

CNA training program established with Northfield Retirement Community (55 youth trained between 2015-18)



Expected Results for 2019-21

CONTINUED YOUTH ON BOARDS

Average of at least **22 boards/commissions** per year
~ Continue to grow the diversity of the program
~ Deepen relationships with adults working with youth on boards



YOUTHBANK

Award **\$50,000** in grants for youth-led projects through YouthBank



CAREER PATHWAYS



Launch of supported local community college option in Northfield

Establish **Education Fellows Pilot** for those interested in education career



Over next 3 years, explore **law enforcement** and/or **municipal** careers pathways

CONTINUED STAFFING SUPPORT FOR NORTHFIELD ASAP

- Now includes a joint focus on chemical & mental health
- Expand local capacity for medication-assisted treatment for Opioid Use Disorder by 100%
- Provide the option for a local diversion class in Rice County for youth who are first-time tobacco, alcohol, or marijuana offenders
- Work with local partners to create a local youth recovery community



Thank you for your continued support of this partnership!

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