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Neighborhood Recovery Initiative – An Overview

Background

The Neighborhood Recovery Initiative (NRI), launched by Governor Pat Quinn in the fall of 2010, is designed to build and support a continuum of interventions for youth and parents in targeted communities. The Initiative's goals are to reduce violence by mitigating risk factors and reinforcing protective factors associated with violence.

The Initiative consists of four main components targeting 20 Chicago-area communities and three regions in the South suburbs. Program components include: Mentoring Plus Jobs, School-based Counseling, Reentry, and Parent Leadership in Action Network (PLAN). NRI funds also support the Safety Net Works Program (SNW), which provides case management, youth development and youth organizing activities and services in NRI communities. Community partners implement programs at the community level, offering job experience, mentoring, school and community-based counseling, case management, youth development and organizing, parent leadership and reentry services.

Lead Agencies in each community are responsible for managing the Initiative in their community and partnering and subcontracting with other community organizations to implement the various program components.

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