

Illinois Department of Human Services

Violence Prevention Services

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Violence Prevention

VISION / MISSION

Every community, every neighborhood, every home is free from violence.

STRATEGY

To integrate, coordinate, and leverage violence prevention activities across agencies.

IDHS Violence Prevention Work



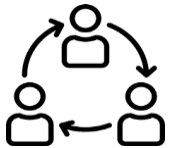
**Youth Development,
Intervention and Diversion**



**Trauma Informed Mental
Health and Substance Use Services**



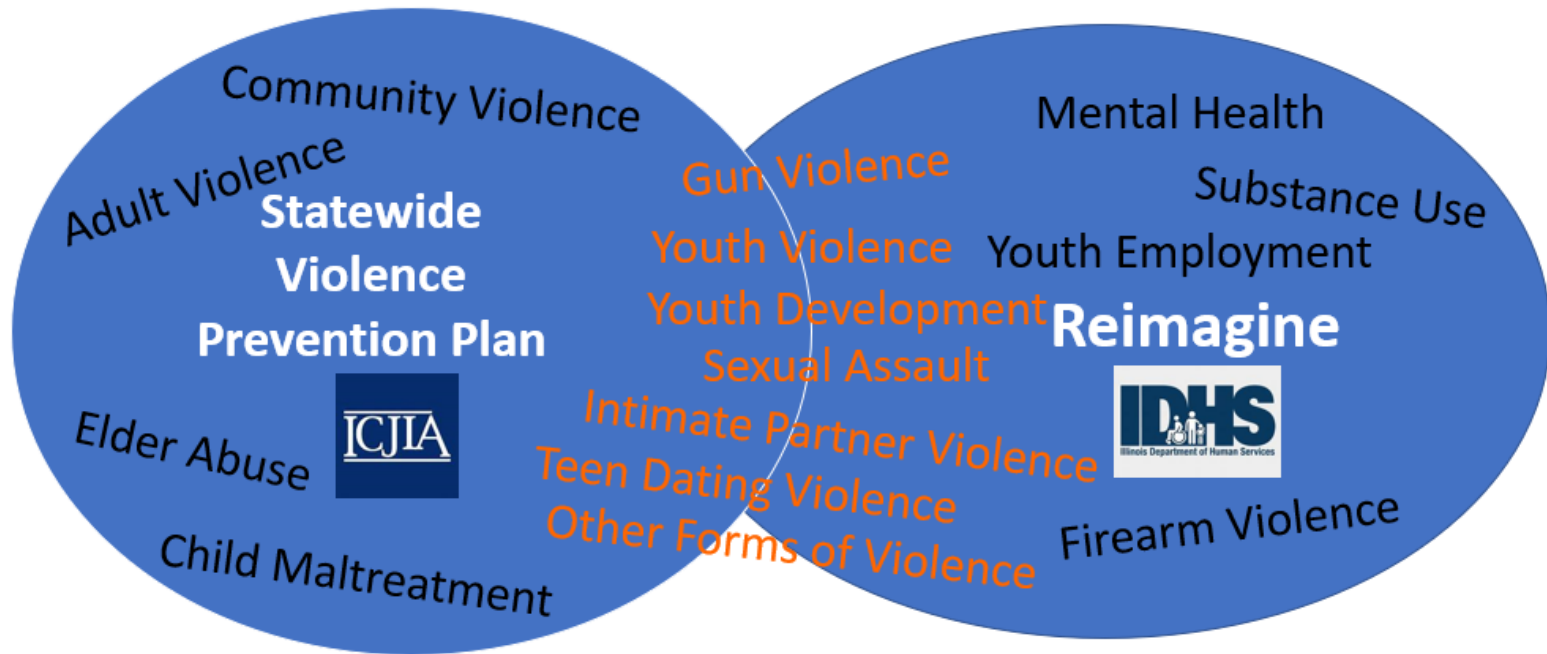
Equity and Racial Justice



**Interagency and Community Based
Collaboration**

Alignment with ICJIA

We are building on the **ICJIA Statewide Violence Prevention Plan** and **IDHS experience** managing programs centered on youth development and family services and trauma-informed and restorative practices.



Illinois Youth Investment Program

Total FY22 Investment: \$21.4M
Median Award: \$550,000
Grantees: 39

Invests in at-risk, transition-age youth (16-24). Four categories:

- **Short-term, Summer Employment**
- **Targeted Long-term Employment**
- **Career Development - Industry-linked Long-term Employment**
- **Expansion of Industry-Linked Career Development Opportunities**

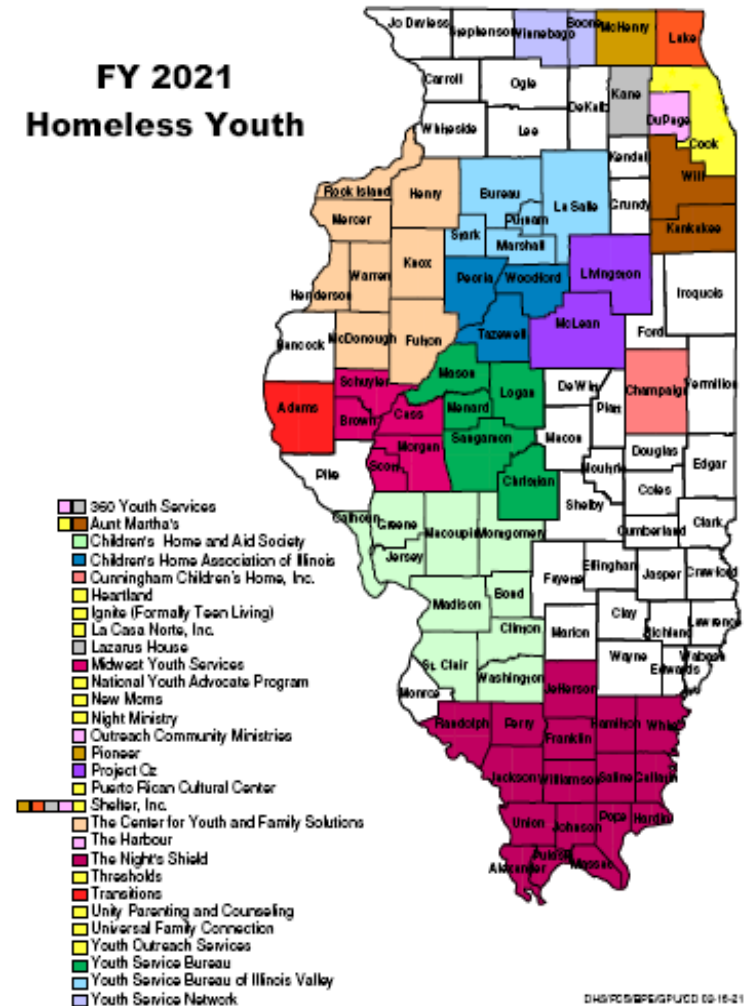


Homeless Youth

Total FY22 Investment: \$7.1M
 Median Award: \$220,000
 # Grantees: 29

Serves youth 14-24 years of age who cannot return home and/or lack the ability to live independently. Seeks to meet immediate survival needs -- food, clothing, and shelter -- and services to help homeless youth transition to independence and self-sufficiency.

**FY 2021
Homeless Youth**

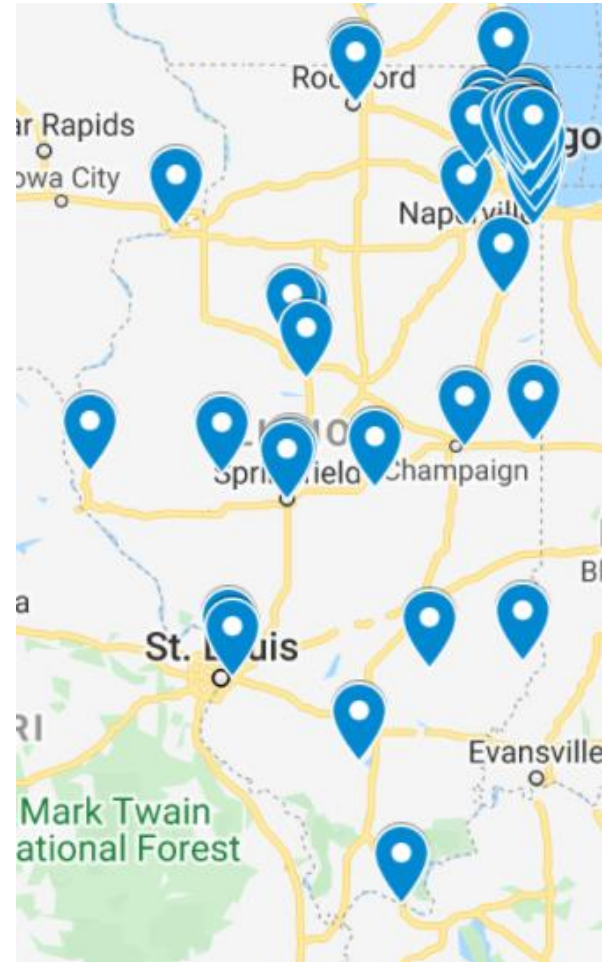


Teen REACH

Total FY22 Investment: \$17.4M
Median Award: \$170,000
Grantees: 74

Responsibility, Education, Achievement, Caring and Hope:

After-school program for at-risk youth between 6 and 17 years old, designed to expand opportunities to enable, empower and encourage youth to achieve personal growth, improve expectations and capacity for future success – including avoiding and reducing risk-taking behavior.



Rural Youth Services Enhanced Program

Total FY22 Investment: \$168,000

Median Award: \$84,000

Grantees: 2

New, federally-funded program designed to provide mental health and social services in rural areas for youth who are involved or at-risk of being involved in the juvenile justice system.

Two pilot grantees:

- Arrowleaf – Golconda (Pope County)
- City of Mounds – Mounds (Pulaski County)

Comprehensive Community Based Youth Services

Total Investment: \$18.5M
 Median Award: \$372,000
 # Grantees: 29

Serves youth, ages 11-17, and their families, who are at risk of involvement with the child welfare and/or the juvenile justice system. It provides youth and their families, with a continuum of services designed to preserve, reunify, and stabilize families.



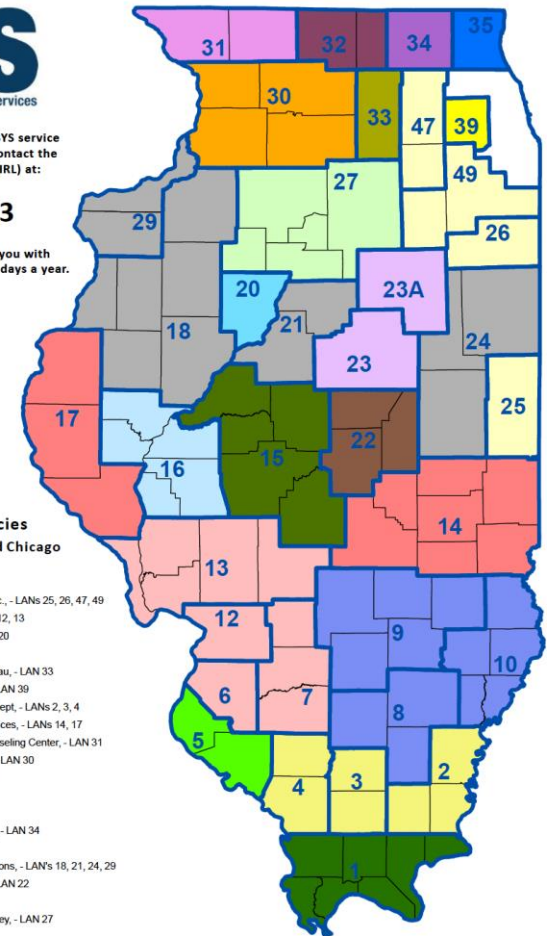
For assistance contacting a CCBYS service provider in your area, please contact the Information and Referral Line (IRL) at:

(877) 870-2663

The IRL is available to connect you with CCBYS crisis services 24/7, 365 days a year.

CCBYS Statewide Agencies Excluding Cook County and Chicago

- Arrowleaf, - LAN 1
- Aunt Martha's Health & Wellness, Inc., - LANs 25, 26, 47, 49
- Children's Home & Aid, - LANs 6, 7, 12, 13
- Children's Home Association, - LAN 20
- Cornewell, - LAN 5
- DeKalb County Youth Services Bureau, - LAN 33
- DuPage Youth Services Coalition, - LAN 39
- Egyptian Public and Mental Health Dept., - LANs 2, 3, 4
- Illinois Coalition for Community Services, - LANs 14, 17
- Jane Addams dba FHN Family Counseling Center, - LAN 31
- Lutheran Social Services of Illinois, - LAN 30
- Midwest Youth Services, - LAN 16
- OMNI Youth Services, - LAN 35
- One Hope United, - LANs 8, 9, 10
- Pioneer Center for Human Services, - LAN 34
- Project OZ, - LANs 23, 23A
- The Center for Youth & Family Solutions, - LANs 18, 21, 24, 29
- Webster Cantrell Youth Advocacy, - LAN 22
- Youth Service Bureau, - LAN 15
- Youth Services Bureau of Illinois Valley, - LAN 27
- Youth Services Network, - LAN 32



Trauma-Informed Mental Health Services

IDHS' Division of Mental Health's (DMH) mission: **Ensure equitable access to a full continuum of preventive, supportive, and recovery-focused resources that promote mental wellness for all people.**

- DMH provides funding and support to
 - 162 community mental health centers/agencies
 - 27 community hospitals with psychiatric units
 - 7 State-operated hospitals.
- DMH supports 42 unique community program types, including 439 grants to 117 DMH-funded providers.
- Mental wellness programs that may impact violence reduction include:
 - The Living Room Program (LRP) – 21 Programs, \$8.3M Total
 - Mental Health Juvenile Justice (MHJJ) program – 26 Programs, \$3.9M Total
 - Program 590 to help build the Crisis Continuum – 69 Programs, \$71M Total

Trauma Informed Substance Use Services

IDHS' Division of Substance Use Prevention + Recovery's (SUPR) mission: **Provide a recovery-oriented system of care where individuals with substance use disorder, those in recovery, and those at risk are valued and treated with dignity and where stigma, accompanying attitudes, discrimination, and other barriers to recovery are eliminated.**

SUPR's work promotes recovery and wellness. SUPR programs that may impact violence reduction include:

- Chicago Substance Use Prevention Services – 9 Programs, \$3.5M Total
- Substance Use Prevention Services – 46 Programs, \$11.8M Total
- State + Regional Substance Use Prev. Services – 12 Programs, \$2.9M Total

Healing Illinois: Promoting Equity & Racial Justice



- In partnership with the Chicago Community Trust, the Healing Illinois initiative awarded \$5.5M in funds to over 200 organizations, engaging over 6,000 Illinoisans in a range of racial healing activities.
- Healing IL grants helped build capacity at the ground level for racial healing, DEI work, and emotional support activities. Projects ranged from healing circles, to filmmaking, murals, book clubs, community-building, and DEI planning and training.

Grant Monitoring, Accountability & Impact

Program and grantee monitoring efforts helps demonstrate program compliance and good grant stewardship.

Programs are subject to GATA which requires competitive bid every three years.

Goal: Ensure organizations are complying with State funding stipulations and outcomes that are outlined in their grant agreements dependent on the program scope.

Grantee Requirement Examples:

- Quarterly performance reports
- Number of individuals participating in program services
- Number of youth diverted from detention
- Number of youth diverted from child welfare
- Number of youth in employment and training opportunities

GATA Equity Initiative

As part of its DEI/RJ plan, IDHS developed targeted technical assistance and supports to help more organizations become GATA prequalified so that our network of providers reflect and are genuinely connected to the communities they serve.

Goal: Increase the number of organizations eligible to respond successfully to competitive State funding solicitations.

Objectives:

- Identify emerging and diverse community organizations that want to navigate and comply with GATA
- Improve internal systems and policies that serve as unnecessary barriers
- Develop simplified, easy-to-use web-based resources
- Incorporate an equity lens in grant processes and decision-making
- Actively reach organizations and connect them to resources

Interagency + Community Collaboration

IDHS Is the convener of many Boards, Commissions and Task Forces aimed at ensuring greater collaboration across government.

Several complement and enhance violence prevention work. They include:

- Adult Redeploy
- The Commission on Poverty Elimination and Economic Security
- The Health and Human Services Task Force
- Commission to End Hunger
- Illinois Children's Mental Health Partnership (ICMHP)
- Immigrant Impact Task Force
- Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission
- Interagency Working Group on Poverty
- Interagency Task Force on Homelessness
- Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board
- Restore, Reinvest, and Renew

Future Work: Reimagine Public Safety Act

RPSA created the Office of Firearm Violence Prevention (OFVP), led by IDHS' Assistant Secretary for Violence Prevention Chris Patterson.

The OFVP will:

- Collaborate with ICJIA, IDPH, HFS, DCFS, DCEO, IDOC, hospitals and health care providers to reduce gun violence.
- Organize and consult with a Firearm Violence Research Group.
- Establish 15 Local Advisory Councils (in non-Chicago service areas) and Lead Qualified Violence Prevention Conveners (in the City of Chicago).
- Provide technical assistance in the areas of evidence-based violence prevention programming and capacity development, including GATA participation and compliance.

Reimagine Public Safety Act Competitive Funding Notices

- **Violence prevention services**, including street-based violence interruption work, emotional or trauma related therapy, housing, employment, job training/placement, family engagement, and wrap-around support services.
- **Youth development programs**, including after school and summer programming to increase school attendance and school performance, reduce criminal justice system involvement, and build social-emotional intelligence.
- **High-risk youth intervention** programs proven to reduce involvement in the criminal or juvenile justice system, referrals of teens into therapeutic programs that address trauma recovery and other mental health services.
- **Technical Assistance & Training** grants to train and assist RPSA funded organizations to design and implement evidenced-based and evidenced-informed programming/services and build the capacity of organizations.
- **Violence Prevention Conveners** grants to organizations that will be responsible for convening communities and coordinating RPSA activities.

Reimagine Public Safety Act By the Numbers

\$250 million - 3 years

- \$50 million in FY22 (January-June 2022)
 - 100 million in FY23 (July 2022- June 2023)*
 - 100 million in FY24 (July 2023-June 2024)*
- *Requires new appropriations from the ILGA
- **FY22 total appropriation = \$507m for violence prevention, diversion, youth employment

37+ Impacted Communities

- 22 Chicago communities
- 15 Outside of Chicago communities

Timeline Highlights:

- **Jan. 2022:** Release NOFOs for Training, Tech. Assistance + Support and RPSA Lead Violence Prevention Community Conveners
- **Jan. 2022:** Launch Local Advisory Councils in 15 non-Chicago areas
- **April 2022:** Issue awards for Violence Prevention, Youth Development and High-Risk Youth Intervention programs – open applications by January '22.

Reimagine Public Safety Act (RPSA)- Continued Collaboration

With Implementation of the Reimagine Public Safety Act, ICJIA and IDHS will further strengthen our collaboration through:

- **Research and Data** - RPSA will build on the research ICJIA has already done; ICJIA will participate on the RPSA Research Advisory Council
- **Coordinated Community Capacity Building** - In both violence prevention programming/services and GATA readiness
- **Funding** - We will also coordinate funding to ensure that service gaps are being identified and addressed.
- **Resource Development** - Shared efforts, learning communities, etc.
- **State and Local Collaboration** - Develop intragovernmental strategies to maximize violence reduction efforts
- **Evaluation** - Avoid duplication of services, measure progress, identify services gaps, and advocate for effective and sustainable programming.

Measuring Impact

IDHS is committed to transparent reviews and grantee accountability. Outside, independent reviewers for "post-award" evaluations will be engaged.

Deliverables:

- Identify appropriate outcome measures for OVFP programs, including metrics and data collection to measure impact
 - a. needs assessment for participants of OVFP programs
 - b. number of individuals served
 - c. number of successful linkages created for participants
- Geographic Focus Areas Report for each identified community
- Identify service gaps and disparities in funded organizations and communities served
- Measure positive outcomes with directly impacted individuals, victims and community partners

Firearm Violence Research Group

- **Joe Hoereth, UIC**, Director, Institute for Policy and Civic Engagement
- **Tammy Kochel, SIU**, Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice
- **Darryl Kroner, SIU**, Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice
- **Timothy Lavery, ICJIA**, Associate Director, Research and Analysis Unit
- **Soledad McGrath, Northwestern University**, Executive Director, Northwestern Neighborhood & Network Initiative, Research Professor, Institute for Policy Research
- **David Olson, Loyola University**, Professor, Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology, Co-Director of the Center for Criminal Justice Research, Policy and Practice
- **Andrew Papachristos, Northwestern University**, Professor of Sociology
- **Kimberly Smith, University of Chicago**, Director of Programs, Crime & Education Labs

HFS

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services will design and implement a team-based model of care to address trauma recovery from chronic exposure to firearm violence for Illinois children and youth under the age of 19. The team-based model of care will include:

- Outreach services
- Case management and school support services
- Group and individual therapy
- An evidence-based family systems intervention

RPSA requires HFS to submit a State Plan Amendment to Illinois' Medicaid program that could result in federal matching reimbursement for some of these services.

Questions

Thank You!