

Partnership Activities

- The MSYVP received a federal grant for a pilot project in Southeast Michigan to build a local level infrastructure at the service-delivery level and implement strategies to address barriers to education and employment of youth in foster care. A major goal is to create a replicable and sustainable model for serving at-risk populations in other areas of the state.
- The MSYVP is helping communities address the dropout crisis by identifying available technical assistance and other resources, reviewing potential policy barriers, and creating a communication plan to promote information sharing.

Resources

- Dropout Prevention Web site: www.midropoutsummit.org
- Federal Funding Matrix
- Technical Assistance
- Key State and Federal Partner Contact List

State Partners

Area Community Services Employment & Training (ACSET) Council,
A Michigan Works! Agency
Detroit Workforce Development
Department, A Michigan Works! Agency
Fight Crime: Invest in Kids—Michigan
Job Corps
Michigan Association of
United Ways
Michigan Association of Community
and Adult Education (MACAE)
Michigan After-School Partnership
Michigan Campus Compact
Michigan's Children
Michigan Community Service
Commission
Michigan Department of
Community Health
Michigan Department of Education

Michigan Department of History, Arts
and Library
Michigan Department of Human Services
Michigan Department of Labor &
Economic Growth
Michigan Department of Military &
Veterans Affairs, Michigan Youth
Challenge Academy
Michigan Department of
Transportation
Michigan Nonprofit Association
Michigan State Housing Development
Authority
Michigan State Police
Michigan Works! Association
Minority Program Services, Inc.
Office of the Governor
Southeast Michigan Community
Alliance (SEMCA) Michigan Works!
Volunteer Centers of Michigan

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Michigan Shared Youth Vision Partnership



A Collaborative Approach to Prepare Youth for Success
in Michigan's Rapidly Transforming, Global Economy



Michigan's Youth — Our Most Valuable Resource and Priority

- The success of Michigan's youth impacts our state's prosperity.
- Lifelong learning and skills development are critical to helping Michigan's youth succeed and become important contributors to Michigan's workforce.
- An investment in youth development through education and training is directly tied to achieving Michigan's economic goals and ability to compete for jobs in a global economy.

Michigan's neediest youth will acquire the talents, skills, and knowledge necessary to ensure their healthy transition to successful adult roles and responsibilities.

What is the Shared Youth Vision?

The 2003 White House Task Force Report on Disadvantaged Youth called for states to develop permanent collaborative bodies that would ensure access to coordinated services for at-risk youth with goals such as increasing educational attainment and successfully fostering youth transition to adulthood. Michigan's Shared Youth Vision Partnership is that body.

A Partnership Committed to Serving Michigan's Neediest Youth

Established in 2004, the Michigan Shared Youth Vision Partnership (MSYVP) is charged with developing more effective coordination of youth services at the state and local levels, and leveraging all available state and federal resources to better serve targeted youth populations, with priority given to serving Michigan's neediest youth, including:

- Out-of-school youth
- Youth most at risk of dropping out of school
- Youth in or transitioning out of foster care
- Youth with disabilities
- Children of incarcerated parents
- Court-involved youth
- Youth at risk of court involvement
- Homeless and runaway youth
- Migrant youth
- Indian and Native American youth

A Collaborative Effort at the State Level

The Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth, Bureau of Workforce Transformation, the lead agency and convener, is charged with developing partnerships and infrastructure to better serve Michigan's neediest youth.



Mission

To build and maintain an infrastructure through collaborative networks that guide economic and social policy in order to connect youth with high quality education, employment services and connecting activities for successful transition into responsible adult roles.

A Coordinated Approach

There are multiple pathways to successful transition from youth to adulthood. It will take the collaboration and active participation of all youth-serving systems and stakeholders, including federal, state, and local government agencies, K-12 and postsecondary education, faith-based and community organizations, employers, parents, and youth.

Partners work together to:

- Identify Michigan's "neediest youth" target population within local communities through analysis and data-gathering
- Identify existing local delivery system's assets, barriers, gaps and overlaps of youth services
- Leverage all federal and state funding resources allocated to youth services
- Align programs, policies and funds that target services to the neediest youth
- Create coordinated access to youth services
- Develop a communication infrastructure that will inform and engage state and local partners, economic development agencies, business and industry associations
- Give youth a voice through representation in the Partnership

Benefits

Implementing the Michigan Shared Youth Vision means better use of resources, better outcomes, and better futures for Michigan's youth and economy by increasing the number of youth who:

- Attain a GED or high school diploma
- Pursue higher education, vocational education, military service
- Access occupational and technical skills training
- Earn occupational certifications
- Gain employability skills to better compete for jobs in a demand-driven economy
- Participate in local youth programs
- Access health care, mental health, and substance abuse services
- Participate in productive after-school activities, community events and volunteer and service-learning activities