

About

The **ThrYve** Youth Justice and Violence Prevention Initiative is a collaborative effort involving over 40 organizations in Kansas City, Kansas who have come together to support the healthy physical, social, and emotional growth of our youth. ThrYve aims to help keep our youth and community safer by providing supports to help our youth achieve their goals and fulfill their highest potential.



ThrYve endeavors to contribute to positive change in our community and for our youth. In this initial pilot phase, ThrYve is prioritizing the area and youth served by by Carl Bruce Middle School, Wyandotte High School, and Sumner Academy. Through ThrYve 120 youth and families have the opportunity to participate in a continuum of positive activities and supports.



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Thriving and
Prospering in a
Safe Community**

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Opportunities:

- **Community Programs:** Choose to be prepared for life and develop skills to: make & manage \$\$\$; make good decisions, control emotions, & develop a Playbook or personal plan.
- **PLAY (Preferred Leisure Alternatives for Youth):** Participate in coordinated positive, fun, and preferred activities in out-of-school time.
- **Community Service Activities:** Improve our community through service projects with ThrYve youth.
- **Youth Advisory Board:** Engage in change to improve the community while developing leadership skills.
- **Parent & Family Engagement:** Participate in family training and recreational activities to bond, get support, and have fun together.
- **Other Supports:** ThrYve youth will have options for tutoring, counseling, and other supports.



ThrYve Approach

With the growing need to provide a safe and supportive community for our youth, communities across our nation, including in Kansas City, Kansas are standing up to do something. Whether you are a parent, youth, or member of a school, organization, or business, you play a vital role in providing a safe and supportive place for our youth to grow, live, and thrive. ThrYve provides supports in our priority neighborhoods, partner schools, and for a group of 120 youth.

Through collaborative partnerships, ThrYve offers a menu of opportunities & supports for youth and families so that **I ThrYve, You ThrYve, & We ThrYve! #wethryve**

Community-Level Supports

- **Systems Advisory Board:** Collaboration with over 40 partner organizations that provide coordinated supports & work together to change systems to enhance opportunities for youth.
- **Youth Violence Prevention & Intervention Programs:** Provides services for youth through the school, hospital, and in the neighborhoods in our priority area.
- **Out-of-School-Time Supports:** Coordinate positive & f engaging leisure activities for youth in our community.

Support for 120 Youth & Families

- Education, College, & Career Prep
- Community Programs : Life Skills Development
- Youth and Family Navigation for Goal Attainment

Education to Career Programs

Youth in ThrYve will be involved in a network of coordinated activities throughout the year, including summer :

- **Employment Prep & Apprenticeships:** Do you want employment training, experience, & get \$\$\$? Participate in an apprenticeship & employment training program that places you at a work site and you can earn a stipend.
- **Experiential Learning:** Do you want to have different experiences, get to do new things, and learn? Participate in ThrYve partner programs that support STEAM camp (science, technology, engineering & math) & other opportunities to learn, have fun, & go different places.
- **LEAD UP:** Do you want people to help support your goals, dreams, and help you think about life after high school? Get college and career prep support and develop leaderships skills to promote success in and after high school. Stay overnight at KU, develop a network of people to help you, including a Guide or college student who will be your coach. Participate in ongoing coaching and tutoring throughout the year.

