



City of Milwaukee Youth Council

Representing the Voices of Youth in Government!

Violence Prevention Strategies

Draft of Report to the Common Council

SUSTAINING POSITIVE FAMILY STRUCTURES

- Finding ways to make youth feel loved, protected, valued, and appreciated.
- Creating and supporting programs that foster healthy family relationships.

PROVIDING SUPPORT AND MENTORING

- Funding programs like Big Brother/Big Sister and other mentorship projects.
- Working to introduce young individuals to more positive role models.
- Create more mental and lifestyle health choices.

FOSTERING BETTER TEACHER-STUDENT RELATIONSHIPS

- Encourage teachers to have better communication with students, boost students up to their full potential with positive encouragement, and to not let personal issues affect work ethics.
- Encourage school guidance counselors to promote their services, focus on personal issues in addition to graduation/college readiness, and support real-world conversations.
- Provide positive out of classroom activities for students and teachers.

COMMUNITY POLICING

- Increase police that work and live in their own neighborhoods.
- Create police positions that specialize in youth.
- Encourage more active participation by the community in safety campaigns.

MAKING MORE VISIBLE EXISTING SERVICES/GROUPS

- Create a centralized source of data for youth including youth organizations, health services, safe places, after school centers, sports arenas, parks, event schedules, trainings, and other resources.
- Create community mapping programs to map out data.
- Work with the Milwaukee Youth Alliance to support existing youth-led groups.