

What is RAYS? What do we do?

Prevention, Outreach & Intervention

SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR YOUTH (AGES 10-21) IN SHEBOYGAN & MANITOWOC COUNTIES

Foundations added the RAYS (Runaway & Youth Services) to its programs in January of 2021. RAYS works to improve the network of support to both youth and their families through confidential and voluntary crisis intervention and referrals.

We help young people and their families navigate through the difficult tween and teen years.

GOALS

- Provide at-risk youth with the skills and tools they need to succeed
- Provide basic need items
- Prevent family issues
- Promote self-sufficiency and independence
- Strengthen relationships

Services (all services are offered at no cost to youth or their families)

MEDIATION/RUNAWAY FOLLOW UP Confidential, no-cost, and voluntary short-term mediation is available for both youth and their families. RAYS compassionate staff works alongside participants to resolve conflict, help set goals, provide guidance, and encouragement as they work toward positive, life-long habits.

YOUTH SHELTER REFERRALS Collaboration with youth & parents to offer shelter options for youth, including host homes.

YOUTH OUTREACH Asking for help is difficult for anyone, especially teenagers. That's why we have street outreach teams who connect with young people in the places they normally gather. It's our way of letting them know that we care about their safety and well-being.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS/LIFE SKILLS TRAINING RAYS offers informational presentations and group workshop opportunities to schools, community organizations, churches and businesses on a variety of topics.

YOUTH GROUPS/EVENTS Sessions focused a variety of skills (life, social, emotional, and coping) with the goal of successful independent living at age 18.

PANTRY REFERRALS

OTHER NEEDED REFERRALS

If you would like to speak to someone about services, or if you would like further information, please contact:

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