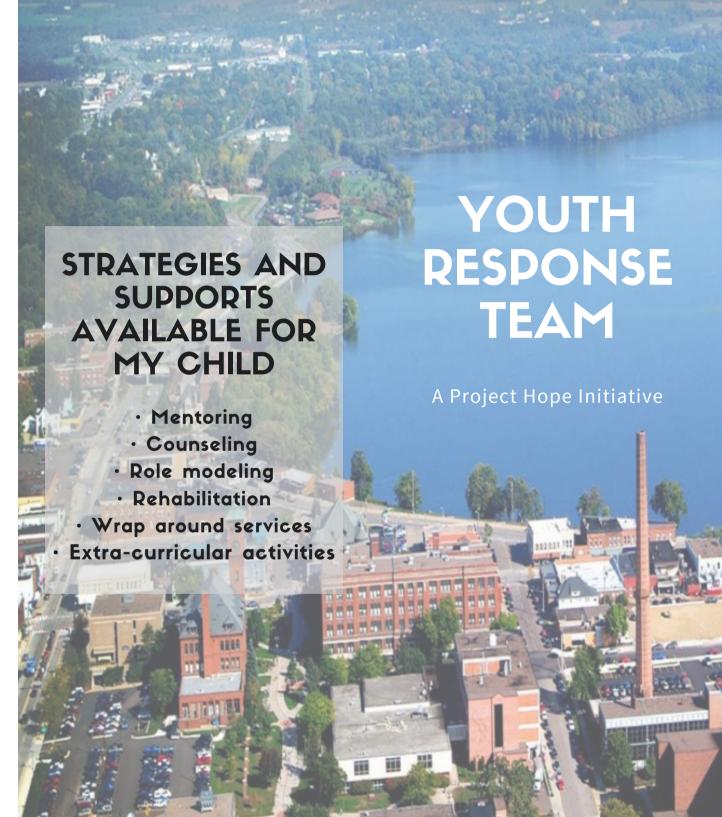
## **DESIRED OUTCOMES**

- Reduced delinquency
- Reduced recidivism
- Improved school attendance
- Increased access to resources
  - Rehabilitation
  - Counseling
  - Mentoring
  - Extra-curricular activities
- Improve the wellness of youth
- Protect youth from various forms of abuse





# **ABOUT US**

### **Our Mission**

The mission of the Youth Response Team is to work collaboratively with community shareholders to respond to the critical needs of children at risk.

#### **Our Vision**

The vision of the Youth Response Team is to create an environment for area youth that promotes personal growth, education, wellness, reduces delinquency and removes barriers to success.

### WHO MAY BENEFIT

Youth who face any of the following challenges may benefit from YRT Assistance:

- Behavioral issues at home, school and/or the community
- Substance abuse
  - Personal
  - Family
- Chronic absence/truancy
- Abuse
  - Neglect
  - Sexual
  - Physical
  - Emotional
- Other concerning issues



## WHAT WE DO

The Youth Response Team (YRT) is responsible for convening every other week or as needed (determined by the group members) to discuss youth that may need intervention strategies (deflection). Additionally, Youth Service Officers (YSO) of the Menomonie Police Department (MPD) will share information about youth that have been cited with ordinance violations, referred to Human Services for delinquency or given diversion opportunities. Human Services (HS) and School District of Menomonie Area (SDMA) representatives will share information about youth that may need services to address issues such as truancy, neglect, abuse, substance abuse, etc.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

If an at-risk youth is identified through referral or observed behavior that is not criminal in nature the team members may determine if deflection (intervention) is appropriate. Options may include: mentoring, family therapy, individual therapy, a membership at a local gym or CrossFit, or other evidence-based supports.