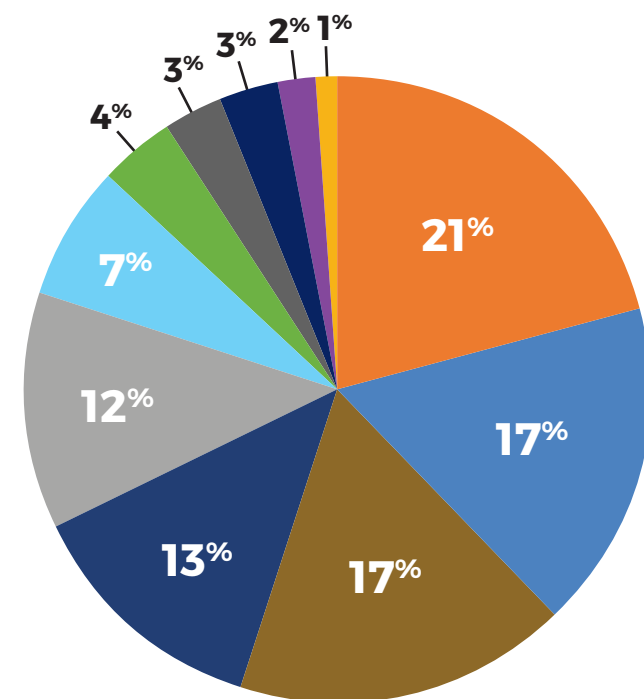


Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Revenues

The St. Joseph Youth Alliance has supported youth and their families by bringing in more than \$32 million in resources for over 29 years to address crisis prevention, substance abuse prevention, early childhood development, youth employment/mentoring, and youth asset development. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, program and cash revenues totaled \$1,610,556.46. Volunteers logged 894.5 hours valued at \$22,085. In-kind donations totaled \$137,308. Overall, the Youth Alliance's total contributed resources for the FY 19-20 were valued at \$1,769,950.



- Early Childhood Educaiton
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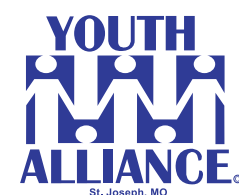
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WHY WE Persevere

Engaging Community Partners to Improve the Lives of Children and Families.



We Persevere for

Substance Abuse Prevention



Unused and unwanted medications sitting in the medicine cabinet are cause for concern, both for our youth and the environment. One of the best ways to combat the misuse of prescription drugs is to provide an easy and convenient way to dispose of them. The Drug Free Community Coalition, in partnership with local law enforcement agencies, provide two Drug Enforcement Administration-sponsored Prescription Take Back events per year. There is one event in the fall and one in the spring. Due to the pandemic, this year's spring event was canceled, but the fall event successfully collected over 800 pounds of medication for proper disposal.

Reducing Underage Drinking

273 compliance checks | **96%** success rate

Community Awareness media impressions

1,730,757

Prescription Take Back Events collected & disposed

891 lbs.

We Persevere to help

Youth Employment & Mentoring

The Youth Employment Program is focused on helping youth overcome barriers to employment by providing career pathway exploration, continued support for educational attainment (secondary and post-secondary), and skills training through workshops and paid work experiences.

The Youth Employment Program has shown perseverance this year, both on behalf of the participants and the staff. When businesses closed due to the pandemic, the staff pulled together and worked with the participants to create an online learning system. Youth still needed their education and staff were determined to help them attain it.



56 Participants

25 Participants Continuing their Education

45 Matched with a Mentor and Reaching 30 Days of Employment

4 Students received their CNA certification

8 Students received their construction & carpentry certification

45 Paid Work Experience

16 Completed HS or HiSET Program

We Persevere for

Early Childhood Development



Early childhood is an important developmental time in the life of a child, and the need for quality childcare providers was evermore recognized and necessary to support essential workers during the pandemic. When staff was no longer able to go into childcare facilities to support the childcare providers, staff persevered by creating resources that could be dropped off to them along with phone calls to guide them from a distance. Services provided include the Educare Program and the Infant Toddler Specialist Network (ITSN).

Educare provides free resources, technical assistance and training opportunities to childcare providers who accept state subsidy. Educare works to improve the early learning experiences for low income children from birth to five years-of-age. Since these children are not yet attending school, the goal for Educare is to help ensure children receive a solid foundation for school success and are ready to enter kindergarten.

Infant Toddler Specialist Network (ITSN): provides on-site consulting, coaching and training with childcare center directors and infant/toddler teachers. These services are available to childcare centers who accept state subsidy. The ITSN program works to improve the quality of care and education that infants and toddlers receive while away from their primary caregiver by increasing the knowledge level and competencies of infant and toddler teachers and directors.

Educare Impacted **555** children

On-Site Visits Conducted **411**

Teachers Attended Training **222**

126 On-Site Visits Conducted

10 Trainings Provided for Childcare Centers

37 Childcare Teachers Served

94 Children Impacted

We Persevere to help

Youth Asset Development

Youth Volunteer Corps (YVC) creates volunteer opportunities to address community needs and to inspire youth for a lifetime commitment to service. Projects are open to youth ages 11 to 18, and they bring together youth from public, private, and homes school groups who may not normally cross paths. YVC gives the youth the opportunity to serve on supervised and planned activities to increase teambuilding and service learning. This helps the youth connect with peers and leaders and also understand the significance of their project experience.

YVC plays an important role for many youth who need volunteer hours to graduate, help with scholarships, or just want to make a difference in their community. When the pandemic shut down in-person volunteer opportunities, staff persevered and found virtual ways for the youth to still make a positive difference. The youth were able to receive volunteer baskets with supplies needed to make items for nursing home residents who were cut off from their families, dog toys for the shelter animals, and many other projects.



1,757 Youth Volunteer Hours

63 Agencies served by Youth Volunteers

159 Service Projects Completed

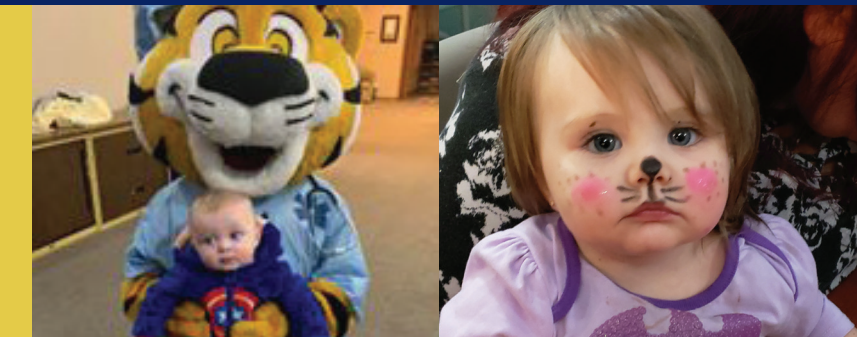
525 Youth Volunteers

We Persevere through

Crisis Prevention

The primary focus of Crisis Prevention is to identify needs affecting local families and develop a plan for connecting the two. Key services offered to children and families include the Circle of Parents support group, the First Birthday Project, the No Limb-itations support group, and the POWER Project.

- **Circle of Parents** meets monthly to provide children and families opportunities for education and social interaction.
- **The First Birthday Project** is a safe sleep program offered to low income families in Buchanan, DeKalb, and Grundy Counties. Through two home visits, participating families will learn and practice safe sleep techniques, have a portable crib delivered and set-up in their home, and receive follow-up services.
- **No Limb-itations** meets monthly to provide support for families affected by limb differences either from birth defects or limb loss. This group provides support for families and allows them social interaction among others with similar differences.
- **Providing Opportunities for Work, Education, and Responsibility (POWER Project)** is an employment assistance program for individuals who owe child support and live in Andrew, Buchanan, Clinton, or DeKalb Counties. The POWER Project supports the belief that improving employment opportunities of the parents also improves the lives of the children.



This year these groups have persevered through the pandemic by figuring out how to meet the needs of the participants while social distancing. Meetings were held outside when it was possible, and staff connected through social media in order to continue programming.

P.O.W.E.R Project

- » **156** Parents Enrolled
- » **138** Parents assisted with obtaining employment
- » **68** Parents attended job readiness training
- » **784** Hours of support group time was provided to **59** parents who attended

No Limb-itations Support Group

69 Individuals served

Circle of Parents monthly support group participants

101 adults | **96** children

First Birthday Project

66 cribs distributed to families in need

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