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Note from the Executive Director

Brokenness surrounding. Darkness overwhelming.

Does it feel like this in our world today?

The evils in our broken world should lead us to lament, and then call us to action. Isaiah 1:17 states, "Seek justice, correct oppression." May we reflect the heart of God as we respond to brokenness. May the light found in Jesus overpower the darkness.

We believe our mission in a fractured world is as important as ever. We believe our vision to serve more lost youth should be larger than ever. And we believe your support is as needed as ever.

Facing the effects of a global pandemic, we know there are challenges ahead of us. One challenge is reopening ministry with a concern for not only safety and health, but also a concern for at-risk youth who are socially isolated, emotionally weary, and spiritually lost.

And as we start our 2020-21 fiscal year, we recognize another challenge is maintaining financial support in an uncertain time. We need your investments to not only sustain our work, but to expand its reach to more youth on the fringes of our society and in the shadows of our community.

So we press on during this unique season at YFC. We trust Him to lead us, and we ask you to join us.

Please consider continuing to invest in YFC. Would you perhaps even pray about increasing your support? Would you make a monthly contribution? ***Your generosity mobilizes the reflection of God's love to youth in our city, in a time when it's desperately needed.***

Thank you. In Christ's love,

Haddon Anderson

Executive Director - Stateline Youth for Christ



Annual Impact

- 7 Ministry Sites
- 1,500+ Ministry Activities
- 3,500+ Intentional Conversations
- 1,750+ Christ-Centered Conversations
- 200+ Authentic Christ-Sharing Relationships

In the last year, our team participated in 1,500+ ministry activities (we call them "Relational Ministry Actions," or "RMA's"). These actions have involved activities such as a "Club" at a local high school, an "Appointment" with a teen in the juvenile justice system, a "Building Time" featuring a shared experience with young people that deepens connection, and more.

These RMA's resulted in 3,500+ Intentional Conversations, 1,750+ Christ-Centered Conversations, and 200+ Authentic Christ-Sharing Relationships.

Take a moment to consider all these loving touch points in the lives of youth.

Intentional Conversations (IC's) are centered upon asking questions, listening, and building trust—modeling the presence of Christ through our action and concern. Christ-Centered Conversations (CCC's) feature dialogue on Jesus, the Word of God, encouragement, or prayer. We believe a commitment to IC's and CCC's will result in valued Authentic, Christ-Sharing Relationships (ACSR's). [\(continued over\)](#)

Annual Impact cont.

These are *lasting* relationships between a YFC leader and a young person. We believe our commitment to such relationships models the faithfulness of God.

Consider a given week, in which we average approximately 25 RMA's, resulting in approximately 100 IC's and CCC's.

Our team is faithful to showing up in the lives of our youth!



Vision

Our vision for the future is to mobilize more IC's and CCC's that result in ACSR's. We know this means more ministry sites and more leaders. For this next year, we specifically hope to engage in the following:

- 9 Ministry Sites
- 2,500+ Ministry Activities (RMA's)
- 5,000+ Intentional Conversations
- 5,000+ Christ-Centered Conversations
- 500+ Authentic, Christ-Sharing Relationships

Your involvement helps us get there. Contact us about getting connected as a leader!

Impact Story

Amaya moved to Rockford as a young teenager. She soon connected with YFC through City Life as well as YFC Camp. While at camp, she decided she wanted to grow deeper in her relationship with God. Amaya has faced challenges, but God is already using her story and love for others to impact those around her. This past year, as a senior, she asked to be a YFC intern and has become an indigenous leader in our community. She recently graduated from high school, currently works 5-6 days a week, and desires to pursue a trade in the future. Also, the YFC team recently rallied around her family after they faced hardships during the COVID-19 crisis, providing assistance and support during this time of need. Amaya recently celebrated her graduation (see picture) and was also surprised with a care package including a Chromebook, backpack, and other goodies. Stories like Amaya's are why we exist. Stories like Amaya's are how your support makes an impact!

**SAVE THE DATE! YFC GOLF OUTING:
September 14th at Mauh-Nah-Tee-See**



Virtual Ministry

Our team recalibrated to virtual ministry with our youth during the COVID-19 season. From online Zoom gatherings, phone conversations, and social media connections, our staff has proactively and creatively sought to engage the youth we serve.

As we heed the advice of local government officials, we are now taking steps to reopen face-to-face ministry with appropriate safety measures.

We are also grateful for the success of our Virtual Banquet, which released on April 2nd. Thank you to all who supported this virtual event! We would like to specifically thank those who sponsored: Subway, Paul Loner (Service 1 Financial Group), Rick & Lana Engen, Karen Blomgren, Gary Love (Baird Financial), Trekk, Bill & Terri Roop, Eric & Andrea Fulcomer, SVL Productions, Advanced Machine & Engineering, Laborer's Local Union 32, Lorna Haugen Tutoring, Members Alliance Credit Union, K9 Junction Kennels, Field Fastener, Mosaic Church, John Widell Construction, Rick & Ann Anderson, David Anderson, Kirk Swanson, Luke & Cristina Frederick, The Luedke Investment Group (Stifel), David Zierke (State Farm Insurance), Lennox Barnett Ministries, Culver's, A & B Freight, John & Karen Hranka, and Bob & Connie Griffin.

