

YLINK LIFESAVERS of Butler County Chapter



Mission & Vision: The Youth Leaders In Kansas (YLink) Life Savers Butler County Chapter seeks **to be there for those who need support and provide resources and guidance to those in difficult situations.** Their vision is to move forward in life and **don't look back** while being kind and generous and reaching out to others.

What is YLINK?

Youth Leaders in Kansas (YLINK) is a statewide peer/parent program. These groups are free of charge to youth and families, and groups are given funding by the Community Engagement Institute (CEI) to accomplish goals identified by the youth involved. The goal of YLINK is to improve life for youth with mental health conditions in Kansas.

YLINK Goals:

The YLINK program is designed to serve youth age 12-18 who have experienced mental health challenges. It is the intent of this program that youth will improve resilience and move toward recovery through shared ownership in leadership groups.

**YLINK
LIFE SAVERS**

**BE KIND AND
DON'T LOOK
BACK**



A FEW OF OUR EVENTS:

BE KIND -NO BULLYING
Christmas family DRIVE
Christmas Baking Event
Serve in the community
OUTREACH FOR TEEN
SUICIDE PREVENTION

Purpose: Community Involvement and Advocacy campaigns championed by youth can do more to effectively reach and impact their peers and community. Through creating opportunities for young adults to serve in the community while developing their personal and leadership abilities and skills will be a primary goal.



Potential Outcomes:

- Build community partnerships
- Outreach to the community
- Young adults feel invested and have a sense of ownership in community
- Help young adults to heal by sharing their stories to educate others to further their cause
- Promote healthy peer to peer relationships
- Tackle stigmas placed on young adults by the larger community
- Strengthen personal leadership skills
- Provide an opportunity for young adults to give back

Tasks / Events / Activities:

- ◆ Provide advocacy education in the community
- ◆ Help the those in need through community service events
- ◆ Volunteer to serve and care for others
- ◆ Participate on advisory boards
- ◆ Increase awareness and prevention of teen suicide
- ◆ Encourage people to stop bullying and be kind

If you know a youth
between 12 and 18 and
would like more
information on how to
participate in YLINK
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