

# Youth ...United Way of Tompkins County supports individuals in their efforts to live self-sufficient and productive lives.

## The Learning Web

The Youth Outreach Program serves a target youth population characterized by homelessness, lack of education and skills, unemployment, poverty, and other risk factors.

- 871 youth and young adults were served in the program
- 100% of youth were homeless upon program admission and 83% of youth secured safe, stable housing
- 94% of participants worked on educational goals
- 93% of participants worked on employment skills
- 90% of youth maintain healthy interpersonal relationships demonstrating skills including self-control, realization of self and acceptance of interdependence with others and becoming a positive member of the larger community

## Child Development Council

The Teen Pregnancy/ Parenting Program (TP3) supported 95 teens and educated 631 young people who attended teen panels. The CDC provides case management and advocacy for teen parents and also hosts teen pregnancy prevention panels.

- 95% avoided foster care
- 88% maintained regular prenatal care

## Greater Ithaca Activities Center

The Teen Program provides safe, educational, social, cultural and recreational programming, as well as advocacy support for local teens.

- 100% of teens attending the program willingly participated in mandatory study time
- 90% of juniors and seniors in the program filled out and submitted college and job applications and 80% received acceptance letters
- 90% of the teens in the program either graduated or were promoted to the next level in school

### **Child Development Council Success Story:**

*"Jesse" became pregnant in the 12th grade at age 17. She gave birth to a baby girl right after her graduation. During her four years in the program she experienced homelessness, domestic violence, unemployment, custody battles with the child's father who was abusive and had been incarcerated, in rehab and on probation, all related to illegal substance abuse. Jesse lost two jobs and had no health insurance. At 22 Jesse had sole custody of her daughter who was at a small day care. She has health insurance through work and has stable housing. For the past two years, she has been in a relationship with an employed partner who she reports actively and positively engages with her daughter as a father. She has been saving money through an Individual Development Account (IDA) and is now in the first time home buyer program.*



## Youth Community Care Fund Award 2011 - \$144,365

- *The Advocacy Center of Tompkins County*
  - **Youth Services** \$20,000
- *Child Development Council*
  - **Teen Pregnancy/ Parenting Program** \$25,195
- *Danby Community Council*
  - **Youth Services** \$1,250
  - **Scholarships** \$1,500
- *Dryden Community Council*
  - **Southworth Library Summer Reading Program** \$200
- *Enfield Community Council*
  - **Enfield Teen Transition Effort** \$9,000
- *Girl Scouts NYPENN Pathways*
  - **Camp** \$15,000
- *Greater Ithaca Activities Center*
  - **Teen Program** \$16,000
- *Groton Community Council*
  - **Groton Recreation** \$1,550
  - **Youth Commission** \$2,550
  - **Groton Public Library** \$400
- *Lansing Community Council*
  - **Lansing Youth Services** \$1,970
- *McLean Community Council*
  - **Summer Recreation** \$100
- *Newfield Community Council*
  - **Summer Reading** \$950
  - **Youth At-Risk and General Recreation** \$4,235
- *Southside Community Center*
  - **Computer Lab** \$2,500
  - **Unity Studio** \$2,000
  - **RIBS - Recycle Ithaca's Bikes** \$1,000
  - **General/Cultural Programs** \$3,140
- *Suicide Prevention & Crisis Services*
  - **Online Counseling Service for Youth** \$6,395
- *The Learning Web*
  - **Community & Career Exploration & Apprenticeship Program** \$21,000
- *The Salvation Army of Ithaca and Tompkins County*
  - **Youth Educational Supports** \$1,000
- *Ulysses Community Council*
  - **Afterschool Program** \$1,695
  - **Youth Services** \$5,735

