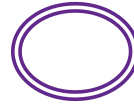


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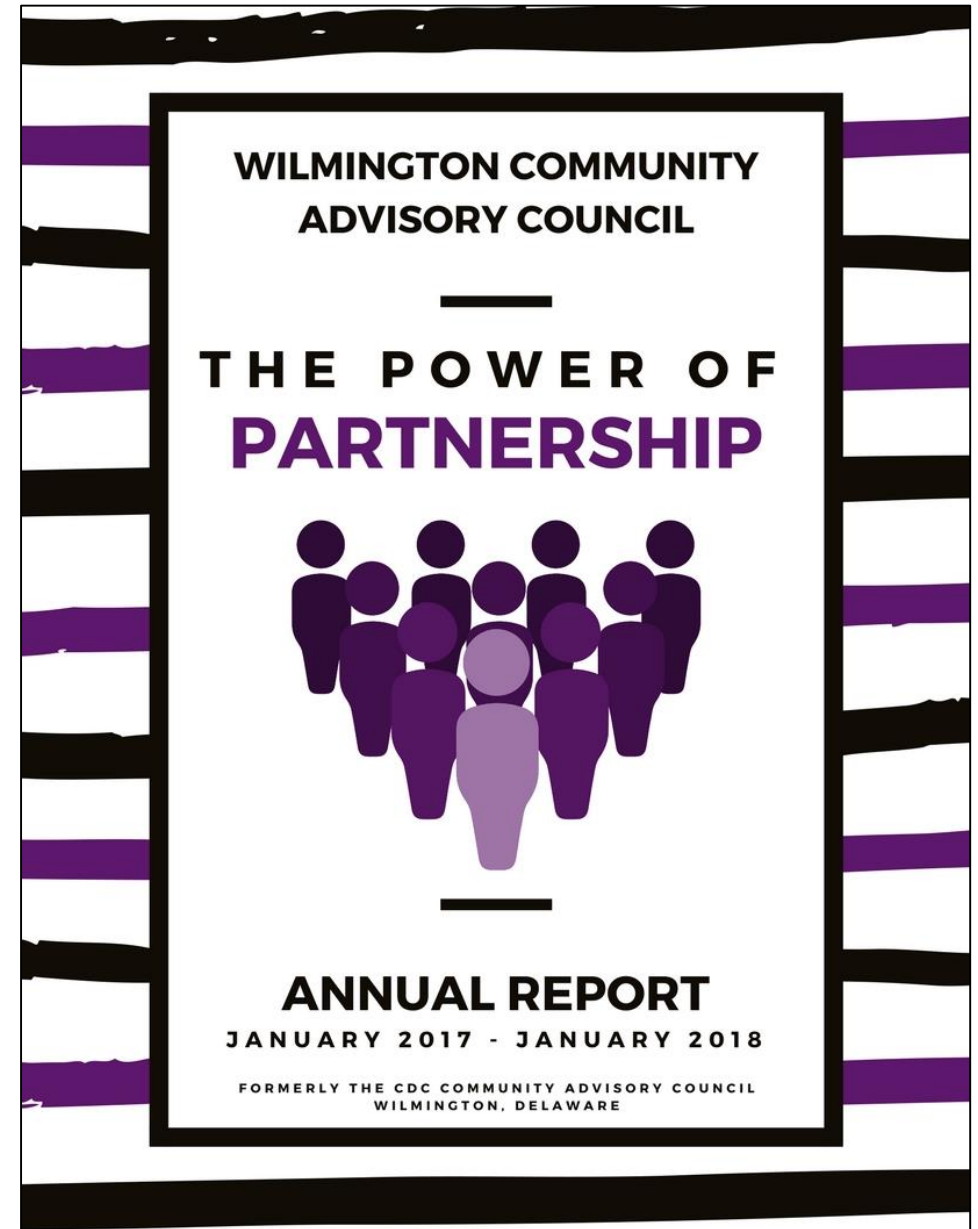
Overview

We wish to share with you today:

Advisory Council History

Progress to Date

Suggestions to Help



Brief History of Our Work: Accelerating Youth Violence Prevention and Positive Youth Development in Wilmington

- In 2013, Wilmington City Council requested the State ask the CDC to study violence in Wilmington as a public health issue
- CDC conducted study from 01/14 to 06/14
- CDC Report presented to the State in 11/15
- DHSS charged with CDC Report follow up



Brief History of Our Work: Accelerating Youth Violence Prevention and Positive Youth Development in Wilmington (Continued)

- DHSS created the CDC Community Advisory Council in 02/16
- Extensive research and community engagement lead to production and release of Call to Action Report in 01/17
- In 2017, Advisory Council name evolved, role and coordinating responsibility shifted



Council Purpose and Recommendations

Provide guidance, support, and advocacy to planning and implementation of Advisory Council's recommendations to:

- Foster violence-free environments and promote positive opportunities and connections to trusted adults for youth in Wilmington
- Intervene with youth and families at the first sign of risk
- Restore youth who have gone down the wrong path
- Protect children and youth from violence in the community
- Address policy issues that have unintended adverse consequences for youth
- Integrate services directed at improving the condition of youth in Wilmington

Council Functions

Oversight

Stewardship

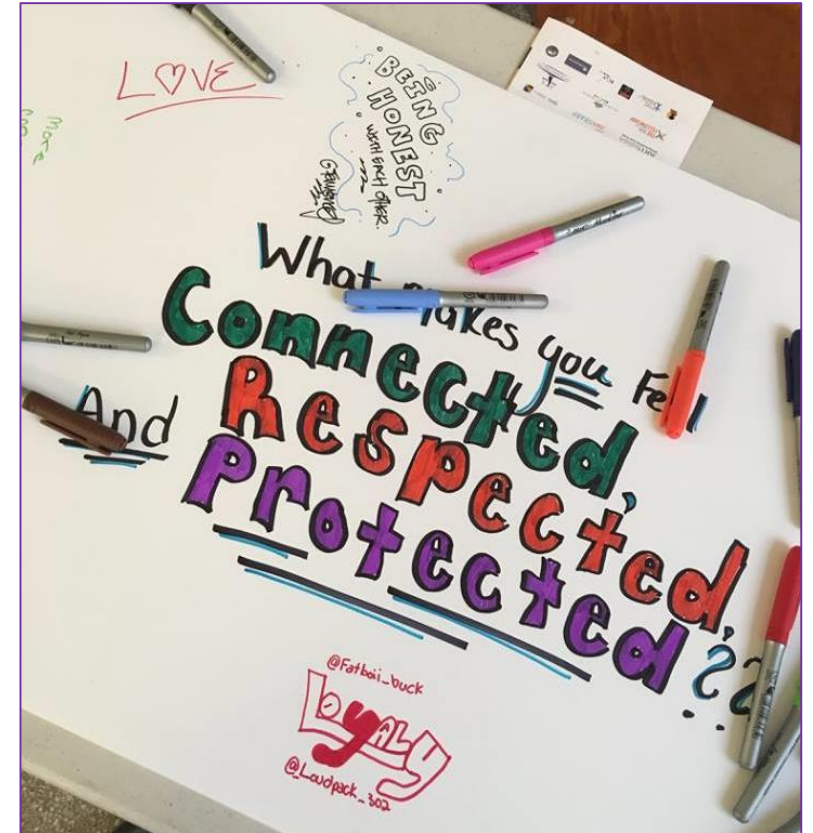
Technical Assistance

**Public
Messaging**

Policy

Progress to Date: The Path Forward Since the Final Report Released

- The Advisory Council has served as catalyst for action on multi-dimensional population health model for collective impact
- The State and community organizations have partnered with the City to begin implementation of pilot projects, leveraging existing resources and seeking new funding
- We have seen significant accomplishments to be proud of, with regard to the state of Wilmington youth, but we also have significant opportunities for growth



Progress by the Numbers: Some Examples

- **Connection to a Caring Adult**
 - According to '17 Kids Count Delaware Fact Book **95%** of surveyed 8th graders in Delaware reported having someone that "gives them a lot of support and encouragement."
- **Safe Haven for Youth**
 - **2,944** youth participated in DPBHS Extended Hours/Summer Safe Haven Program
 - **66,193.5 hours** off the street and in a safe, supportive environment.



Progress by the Numbers: Some Examples (Continued)

- **Employment Opportunities for Youth**

- **450** youth employed by City's '17 Summer Youth Employment Program

- **Support Services & Employment Opportunities for Adults**

- DHSS Community Partner Support Unit assisted **75** library patrons
- **200** people referred to UPS for seasonal positions and **22** accepted positions

- **Training Educators**

- **4,300** Delaware educators trained by Compassionate School Learning Collaborative and Compassionate Connections Partnership

Progress on Recommendations

- Interagency Data Sharing
- Micro-Level Examples
 - “One Stop” Services
 - Christina Care Hospital Based Intervention
 - Youth Employment
 - Community Partner Support Unit

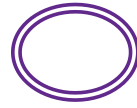
"Being able to see the full picture of the services that young people and their families are receiving and their interactions with the system will help us develop interventions that are coordinated and appropriate for each family."

Dr. Kara Odom Walker,
DHSS Cabinet Secretary

Progress on Recommendations (Continued)

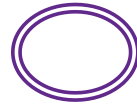
- Governor Carney's Family Services Cabinet Council
- Extended Hours/Safe Haven Summer Program
- After-School Programs
- Capacity Building with Community Centers & Youth Serving Orgs.

Progress on Recommendations (Continued)



- Summer Youth Employment
- Early Identification and Service Referral for Youth
- “One Stop” Support Services for Youth and Young Adults

Progress on Recommendations (Continued)



- Community Intervention Team
- Hospital Based Intervention
- Community Partner Support Unit

POWER Campaign

P.O.W.E.R. Partners are committed to reforming:

- Relationships between individuals, communities, organizations and government
- A culture of violence that normalizes gun and youth violence
- Systems/structures that perpetuate disadvantage in communities impacted by violence



PEOPLE & ORGANIZATIONS IN WILMINGTON ENGAGING IN REFORM

Sign up to be a
P.O.W.E.R. Partner
on the Advisory
Council website!

Priorities for Resource Development

Key areas where additional funding is likely needed over the next few years include:

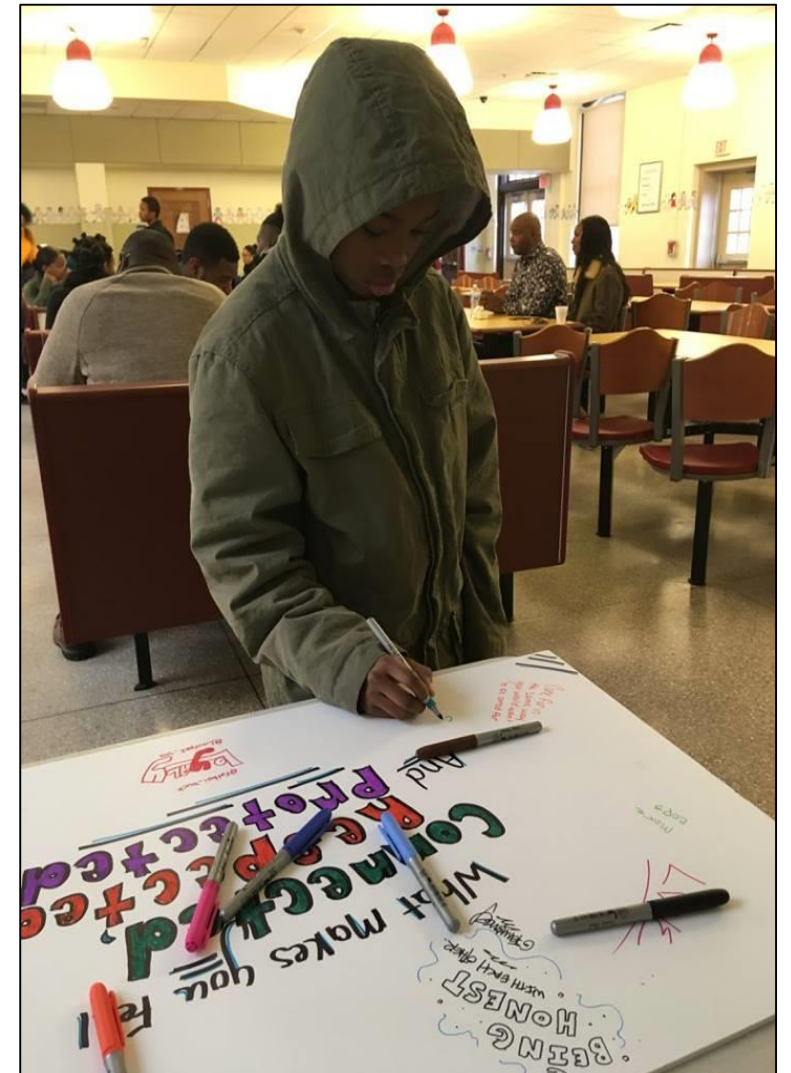
Capacity Building

Youth Employment

Early Identification

“One Stop” Support Services

Community Intervention Team



How Can You Help

- Attending Advisory Council monthly public meetings
- Becoming a P.O.W.E.R. Partner
- Making prevention a community priority
- Supporting those who have been hurt by violence
- Sponsoring community engagement initiatives and prevention programs
- Being a caring adult to at least one youth or young adult



How Can You Help (Continued)

- Role modeling healthy, non-violent behavior
- Providing meaningful opportunities for youth to participate in activities that develop skills and talents
- Helping to build organizational capacity to make data-informed decisions
- Supporting widespread implementation of evidence-based approaches
- Staying aware of what is going on in the community to prevent youth violence and promote positive youth development
- Help to identify resources to support implementation

