## **FEDERAL WAY YOUTH ACTION TEAM**

Our vision for Federal Way is to be a community where every youth has the opportunities, skills and support they need to thrive.

The Federal Way Youth Action Team believes we can affect the most change if we commit to these values.

- We will engage youth and families in our solution-making. - We strive to create culturally and generationally relevant solutions. - We acknowledge that our County has a history of disproportionality for minorities in our justice and education systems. - We will actively work to dismantle the school to prison pipeline. - We will work to build community capacity, strengthening the ability of communities to take care of their young people.

### Mission

The Federal Way Youth Action Team is a consortium of caring adults and organizations that partner together to provide authentic, impactful, and relevant youth development opportunities across our

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community.

Our weekend programming is designed to support youth with barriers to success by participating in community projects and skill building workshops that will support them in developing the necessary skills to discover their best self and contribute positively to our community. We offer a menu of projects and workshops facilitated by diverse community professionals. Our goal is to customize the programming to meet the needs of the referred group of youth.

### Positive Outcomes Program

POP serves youth and young adults ages 12 to 24 years of age that are typically overlooked or underserved, many of whom are at risk of interaction with the juvenile justice system. The program provides advocacy and support to help these youth meet their goals for the future. POP is strengthened by the support and leadership of the Federal Way Youth Action Team, a collaboration of adults and organizations that provide youth development opportunities.

#### The Game of Life

A 'gateway program' (community Intervention outreach model) to other services of the FWYAT and beyond. Designed to attract young people at risk through sports, GOL operates within a Motivational Interviewing framework to develop deeper relationships and assess and connect young people to needed services and supports.

Facilitated by a Counselor, Coach and Consultant, GOL serves as a community based therapeutic intervention utilizing credible messengers to motivate youth to their fullest potential.



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