

Toronto Youth Equity Strategy (TYES)

The City of Toronto will coordinate policy and program planning between its youth-serving program areas.

5 A & C) The City of Toronto, through the TYES Table, will identify, share, and invest in best practices of local and city wide interdivisional coordination serving the needs of youth most vulnerable to involvement in serious violence and crime. The TYES table will begin as an interdivisional youth services table, to implement service system coordination and serve as system manager for City youth services. The table will also advocate to provincial and federal partners.

The City of Toronto will advocate towards and support where appropriate equitable access to education and training for youth most vulnerable to involvement in serious violence and crime.

9a) The City of Toronto will increase free and/or affordable access to space for groups offering educational attainment support services to youth most vulnerable to involvement in serious violence and crime.

9b) Toronto Community Housing's Resident & Community Services will review and amend its scholarship criteria to attract and support youth that may not have been able to access such funds in the past or may not qualify under the majority of existing programs.

9d) The Toronto Public Library will continue to partner with the Toronto Catholic District School Board to provide the Transitional Intervention Program for Suspended Students and Supervised Alternative Learning programs.

9e) Social Development, Finance and Administration will work with the Province of Ontario and the Council of Educators to improve investments in targeted supports for education such as building skills, scholarships and network development for incarcerated youth.

9f) Toronto Public Health will work with school boards and other community partners to address bullying in schools and the community with a focus on children/youth who are vulnerable to developing antisocial behaviours.

9g) The City of Toronto will request the TDSB and the TCDSB to appoint a staff person as a youth champion, who will connect with community, funders, youth, and other governments.

9j) Social Development, Finance and Administration will invest in educational attainment programs inclusive of youth most vulnerable to involvement in serious violence and crime.

9k) Social Development, Finance and Administration will invest in and support community based training that supports building skills, mentorship and network development.

28F) The City of Toronto will work with community stakeholders and other orders of government to develop data systems to collect data across City divisions, agencies, and corporations on key demographic variables for employees and clients, including youth most vulnerable to involvement in serious violence and crime, to enable the City to plan and develop more effective interventions and monitor progress on areas of action.