



TURNING LIVES AROUND.

March 17, 2025

Dear Committee Members,

I am reaching out to you today on behalf of 180 Degrees in resounding support of HF2362 – Appropriations for Youth Intervention Programs.

Founded in 1973, 180 Degrees operates emergency shelter, supportive housing, and outreach programs for youth and adults experiencing crisis. 180 Degrees operates four core youth programs across Minnesota, serving over 230 youth annually through shelter and case management and more than 1,000 individuals through community-based outreach, case consultation, and resource connection. In addition to shelter and housing, 180 Degrees conducts extensive outreach and prevention services, ensuring individuals receive basic needs, case consultation, resources, and referrals that increase stability and prevent further crises.

Though not currently a YIP grantee, 180 Degrees recognizes the profound impact that these grants have concerning the youth we serve across the state of Minnesota. Having designated financial resources allows organizations like ours to expand our services and increase our capacity to serve youth who are vulnerable or experiencing crisis. With this in mind, 180 Degrees stands with the Youth Intervention Programs Association in advocating for these funds.

Continued funding for youth intervention programs is crucial for the viability of these vital, in-demand services. As such, I would like to express my full support for the appropriation of these additional funds.

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