

ABOUT US

Change Starts With Community is a Community Violence Intervention and Prevention (C.V.I.P.) program that provides mentorship and career readiness jobs to at-risk youth (ages 10-17) and connects adults (ages 18-45) impacted by violence or trauma to essential resources such as food security, victim services, education, mental health support, employment, relocation assistance, and peer recovery for substance use.

Support Includes:

- Trauma recovery groups (in partnership with Hennepin Health Care).
- Shiloh Cares Food Shelf - Northside Community Safety Resource Center (free food, child nutrition program; Open Wed-Fri 10:00 AM-2:30 PM).
- Job training and employment through our incubator workforce program.
- Assistance in securing safe housing for victims of violence.
- Basic needs support (food, transportation, clothing, hygiene, parenting items).
- Crime victim resources (victim rights, financial assistance, burial support via MN Department of Justice & Hennepin County).
- Education support (high school graduation, GED completion, post-secondary enrollment).
- Youth Group Violence Intervention (YGVI) (jobs, field trips, gardening, sports, music programs).
- Community recovery resources (mental health, physical wellness, substance use support)..
- Violence Prevention Quick Connect Orange Card for emergency support.
- Community violence prevention events and peer recovery services.
- Hennepin County On-Site Human Services Kiosk for immediate access to county resources. Other services available as needed.

Change Starts With Community partners with the City of Minneapolis Department of Neighborhood Safety, Hennepin County, Minnesota DEED, The Cargill Foundation, and the Kathleen & David MacLennan Foundation.



HOW WE WORK

The goal of Change Starts With Community's violence intervention and prevention programs is to **R.I.P.** the cycles of violence.

- **Reduce** retaliation, re-injury, re-traumatization, and recidivism for youth and adults impacted by violence, trauma, or substance use.
- **Interrupt** violence by providing positive peer support, victim services, trauma recovery groups, food security, and job opportunities as pathways to healing and stability.
- **Prevent** community violence by offering real care, economic inclusion, and hope—because “hurt people, hurt people.”

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Change Starts With Community

"One person can start a movement but it takes a community to make change"

CHANGE STARTS WITH COMMUNITY



MISSION: "USING FOOD AS A VIOLENCE PREVENTION TOOL TO BUILD SAFE, HEALTHY, AND HOPEFUL COMMUNITIES."

VISION: EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES THROUGH FOOD SECURITY, VIOLENCE PREVENTION, SUBSTANCE RECOVERY, AND ECONOMIC INCLUSION.