

# ELEMENTS OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS FOR HIGH RISK YOUTH

- ✓ Accept All Kids: "No reject" policies
- ✓ Available, Accessible & Flexible
- ✓ Empower Voice, Choice & Ownership
- ✓ Individualize Services for Each Youth
- ✓ Ensure Family-Focused Services
- ✓ Take a Strength-based Approach
- ✓ Provide Culturally Competent Services
- ✓ Engage Youth in Work
- ✓ Prioritize Safety & Crisis Planning
- ✓ Provide Unconditional Caring: "No eject" Policies
- ✓ Create Opportunities for Civic Engagement & Giving Back
- ✓ Cultivate Long-term Connection to Community