

2021 Program Report Card: Safe Place Out of School Time



Achieving Youth Results (AYR) Goal:

Our community will provide children, youth, and families with healthy, safe, and thriving environments.

Program: 4-H Urban Outreach

Agency: Cornell Cooperative Extension

CLIENTS:

Young people 5-18 who may have barriers or risk factors living in affordable housing apartment complexes in Ithaca.

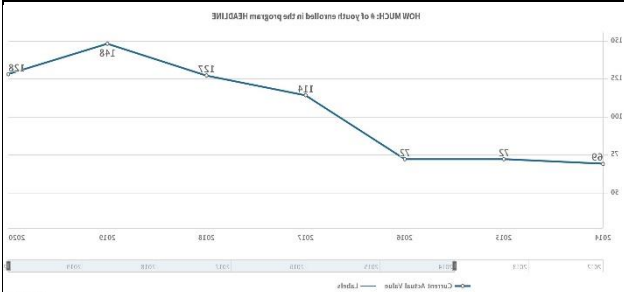
PARTNERS:

Cornell University and Cornell Public Service Center, Free Science Workshop, Inc., Tompkins County Library Staff, Ithaca Housing Authority, CCE-TC Nutrition, Horticulture and Energy Educators, Ijump, Community Foundation of Tompkins County, Social Services League, Park Foundation, Ithaca Mural, Friends of the TCPL, Friendship Donation Network, Words to Deeds, Reliant Realty at West Village Apartments, Cornell Asian Student Organization, Ithaca Youth Bureau YES Program, The Floating Classroom, LACS, volunteers, program educators.

RESULTS BASED ACCOUNTABILITY HEADLINE PERFORMANCE MEASURES

HOW MUCH:

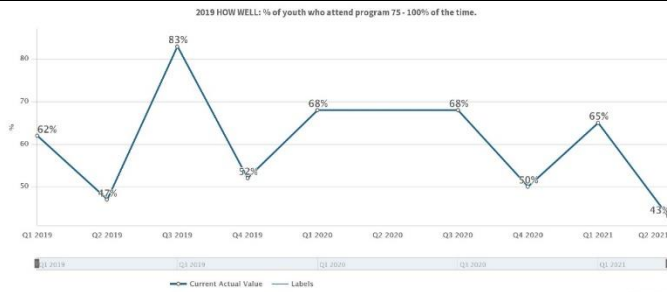
128 Youth*



*Youth served in 2020

HOW WELL:

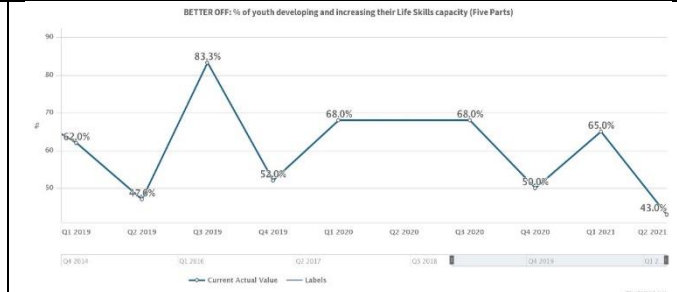
43%*



*29/67 youth in Q2 of 2021

BETTER OFF:

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THE STORY BEHIND THE DATA

GRAPH 1: # of youth enrolled – The 4H Urban Outreach program served 80 unique youth by Q3 2021 and held 217 programs. The program is attended by 94% minority youth and 60% of youth speak English as a second language. The program is on track to serve 100-115 youth by the end of Q4 2021. Overall attendance has been down due to Covid-19, families moving in both apartment complexes, and some families choosing to not have children attend programs for health reasons. COVID-19 has made forecasting our enrollment difficult because we do not know if we will continue to be able to hold programs in person or if they will need to be held online.

GRAPH 2: % of youth who attend program 75-100% of the time - We forecast steady or slightly lower performance measurements for Q4 2021 through Q2 2022 due to Covid-19 affecting attendance. Attendance at programs generally increases during Q3 during the free summer programs. Not all of the children can

attend the program every day and some youth join or move during the quarter. Program enrollment and consistent attendance is closely tied to other performance measurements. If able to partner with other community groups, it is forecasted that the resulting higher attendance at programs will increase this measure.

GRAPH 3: % of youth developing and increasing their Life Skills capacity (five parts) – Attendance is the primary driver for whether youth can attain a high level of performance for this measure. This measurement is forecasted to increase beginning in Q1 2022 due to new partnerships with community organizations, which will combine resources and allow more programs to be held and more youth to be served. Youth attended 217 programs during the reporting period, with 240 planned for the year. The 4H Urban Outreach program was the only free afterschool program serving youth in the apartment communities where they live. With a number of factors affecting regular attendance, youth benefit from attending any program as it improves their life skills, reading and literacy skills, and their overall well-being.

AGENCY ACTION PLAN TO “TURN THE CURVE”

2022 Action Plan

HOW MUCH

- Creating a partnership with a community organization that is already effectively serving the community and needs additional staffing and resource support.
- Continue to adapt programs to meet changing family and community needs.
- Work with community partner to provide nutrition education and food at every program.
- Keep the program free for families.

HOW WELL

- Hold Winter 2022 Northside Programs Online to keep youth together until families determine where they will be living during the 3-year remodel of the Northside Complex.
- Attend outdoor field trips.
- Hold free summer programs and new locations for Northside Summer 2022 Program.

BETTER OFF

- STEAM Field Trips – Youth are excited about field trips and they remember what they learn when they go to new environments.
- Continue to develop and grow diverse mentors and partnerships.
- Teach youth practical skills they can use for life.

2021 Action Plan & Status

HOW MUCH

- Being flexible to meet family & community needs. ↑ **Accomplished**
- Increasing partnership with the Free Science Workshop, Inc. to increase underserved and minority youth access to STEAM. ↑ **Accomplished**
- Providing food & snacks. ↑ **Accomplished**

HOW WELL

- Holding onsite and online programs. ↑ **Accomplished**
- Having a diverse group of community partners, hiring people that live in the communities we serve. ↑ **Accomplished and ongoing**
- Purchasing tablets for under-served families. ↑ **Accomplished**

BETTER OFF

- Proving STEAM access and partnerships for youth. ↑ **Accomplished**
- Focusing on reading and literacy and pairing with community partners. ↑ **Accomplished**
- Continuing to create lessons & projects that involve experiential learning and promote positive youth development. ↑ **Accomplished with a focus on career development**