



YOUTH SUCCESS

ENSURING OUR KIDS ARE EQUIPPED FOR SUCCESS FROM BIRTH THROUGH CAREER.

Education is the cornerstone of individual and community success. It opens kids up to a world of possibilities and builds confidence, skills and a foundation for the future. It is crucial to reach kids before they start school and support our kids by walking beside classroom teachers throughout their education. Once a child falls behind, it can be difficult to catch up.

OUR GOALS & INVESTMENTS



Children enter kindergarten developmentally ready to learn

- Preschool Scholarships | Greater Midland Community Center, Greater Midland North & Coleman Family Centers, West Midland Family Center
- Imagination Library | Midland County ESA
- 3- and 4-year-old Preschool | Midland County ESA



Children are reading proficiently by 3rd grade

- LunchBox Learners | Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Barton Tutoring | The Legacy Center for Community Success



Students have responsible, caring adults in their lives

- Community Based Mentoring | Big Brothers Big Sisters
- College Opportunity | West Midland Family Center



Students are equipped with the skills for success in school, life and the workforce

- Discover You and Grounded After-school | The ROCK
- Teen Development | North Midland Family Center
- STAGES | Disability Network

COMMUNITY ISSUES

Kindergarten Readiness

74% of children that enter kindergarten behind will never catch up to their peers

Reading At Grade Level

52% of 3rd grade students in Midland County are not reading at grade level

Youth Mentoring

Children with a mentor are 76% more likely to enroll in college

Skills Building

Over 55% of students are not college ready





HEALTH

INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES ARE HEALTHY AND SAFE.

The health of our citizens is a strong indicator of a thriving community. Achieving and maintaining safety along with physical and mental health is important in all stages of life and reaches beyond clinical care. Research shows that social, economic and health behaviors contribute up to 70% of an individual's long-term health outcomes.

OUR GOALS & INVESTMENTS



Individuals are emotionally healthy and safe.

- Counseling and Crisis Calls | Family and Children's Services
- Counseling and Support Groups | Cancer Services
- Information & Referral | 211



Individuals and families are physically healthy and safe.

- Disaster Services | American Red Cross
- Services to Armed Services | American Red Cross



Everyone has access to exercise and adopts healthy habits.

- Youth and Adult Fitness | Greater Midland Coleman and North Family Centers
- Youth, Adult and Senior Fitness | Greater Midland Community Center



Individuals are emotionally and physical healthy and safe.

- Forensic Interviewing | Midland Child Advocacy Center
- Domestic/Sexual Assault Shelter, Counseling & Advocacy | Shelterhouse



Youth and adults avoid risky behaviors.

- Addiction Recovery | Family & Children's Services
- Center for Wellness & Recovery | Ten16 Recovery Network
- Substance Abuse Treatment | Ten16 Recovery Network



Everyone has access to healthy foods.

- Meals on Wheels | Senior Services
- Food Rescue and Redistribution | Hidden Harvest
- Backpack Buddies | Emergency Food Pantry Network

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COMMUNITY ISSUES

Fitness

70% Midland County adults report being overweight/obese

Access to Healthy Food

11.4% of Midland County families are food insecure

Mental Health

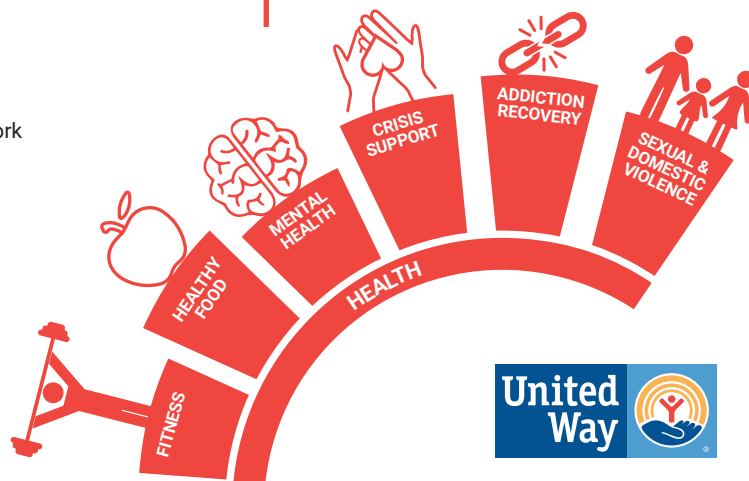
34% of female youth and 18% of male youth report being depressed; an increase of 11% since 2016

Domestic/Sexual Violence

1 in 4 girls and 1 in 6 boys will be sexually abused before they turn 18

Addiction Recovery

FCS reports a 48% increase in the number served for addiction recovery from 2020 - 2022





HOUSEHOLD STABILITY

INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES HAVE LONG-TERM STABILITY AND INDEPENDENCE.

Our community thrives when everyone is empowered and equipped for success. With the right tools, individuals and families can secure good jobs, safe and affordable housing, success for children and achieve financial stability. While they're getting there, it's important to have a safety net to meet their needs on their path toward independence.

OUR GOALS & INVESTMENTS



Individuals have the skills to secure and maintain gainful employment

- Community Employment | Arnold Center
- Adult Basic Education | Legacy Center for Community Success



Families and individuals are able to meet their basic needs

- Emergency Assistance | Salvation Army
- Family Support Services | Greater Midland Coleman & North Family Centers and West Midland Family Center



Individuals are equipped to understand and manage their finances

- Financial Assistance | Cancer Services
- Personal Representative Service | The Arc of Midland
- Senior Tax Assistance | Greater Midland Community Center



Individuals and families have stable and affordable housing

- Homeless Stability and Home Repair | Home to Stay
- Home Ownership and Construction | Habitat for Humanity



Families have access to affordable, high-quality day care

- Childcare Scholarships | Greater Midland Community Center, Greater Midland North & Coleman Family Centers, West Midland Family Center
- Infant and Toddler Childcare | Midland County ESA

COMMUNITY ISSUES

Stable Housing

Nearly 30% of local families are spending more than 30% of their income on housing

Affordable Childcare

Married parents with 2 children living in poverty can pay 78% of their household income on child care

Job Skills/Employment

48% of people with disabilities in Michigan live in a household below the ALICE Threshold.

