

Youth Roots of Grey-Bruce

SOUTHWESTERN HUB

CUSTOMIZED EVALUATION

SUPPORTS (CES) PROFILES



ORGANIZATION NAME

Youth Roots of Grey-Bruce

PROGRAM NAME

IMPACT! Youth Summit

STEPPING UP THEMES

- Civic Engagement & Youth Leadership
- Coordinated & Youth-Friendly Communities

PROGRAM TARGET POPULATION

Youth living in rural and remote communities

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

- Recruiting speakers
- Organizing skill-building sessions (e.g. public speaking skills, fundraising skills, social media skills, how to be a natural helper for peers who are in need of help)
- Youth outreach

"We believe that every youth should be safe, healthy and valued."



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YOUTH ROOTS is a team of community members and agencies from the Grey-Bruce region committed to ensuring the best possible life chances for all youth by supporting families, by building assets and by mobilizing community. They coordinate activities that encourage positive youth development and provide meaningful opportunities for youth. Youth Roots' vision is to help every youth in their community to be safe, healthy, valued and equipped with life skills.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The IMPACT! Youth Summit brought together 200 youth from across Ontario to Hanover to provide leadership training and to create an awareness about mental health concerns that impact youth with the ultimate goal of increasing youth wellbeing across the province. Youth heard from motivational speaker Ryan Porter, Team Canada Inline Goalie and mental health advocate Kendra Fisher, and Me to We Co-Founder Craig Kielburger. The youth in attendance were challenged to think of how they could make a positive impact on their community, and Youth Roots is now supporting and monitoring the progress and outcomes of seven youth-led projects.

WHAT ARE YOUR EVALUATION HOPES AND DREAMS?

"What we are hoping is that communities across Ontario see that youth have the ability to make an impact when motivated and empowered, and provided with the tools and support to create change. And we're trying to show that the collective power of these youth demonstrate that youth can make a difference and should be consulted in decision-making processes and policy development."

WHO ELSE MIGHT BENEFIT FROM THIS EVALUATION?

"Youth Roots itself will be using the results to enhance future outreach programs in the region. The knowledge gained will also be shared with other youth organizations."

HOW WILL YOUTH BE INVOLVED IN THIS EVALUATION?

"Youth must be involved in the evaluation process. Youth were critical in the planning process of the event from start to finish - evaluation included. A summer student was also hired to work between May and August in order to assist with the event and evaluation process."