




Rochester Area Youth Assistance

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES — INVEST IN
THE YOUTH OF YOUR COMMUNITY!!!



Rochester Area

Strengthening Families
Through Community Involvement



Rochester Area Youth Assistance is a prevention-based, nonprofit organization whose goal is to strengthen youth and families in the Rochester Community and to reduce the incidence of delinquency, abuse and neglect through volunteer and community partnerships.

RAYA PROGRAMS AND SERVICES



Short-term Counseling
and Casework Services



Financial
Assistance



Family Education



Recognize
Outstanding
Youth



Mentors Plus
Program



Camp Safari

A young man with short dark hair, wearing a dark blue t-shirt, is sitting at a light-colored wooden table. He is looking towards the left of the frame with a thoughtful expression. In front of him, the back of a person wearing a light-colored, short-sleeved button-down shirt is visible. They appear to be in a bright, indoor setting with large windows in the background showing a blurred outdoor scene. The overall lighting is warm and soft.

Youth Assistance Caseworker



Financial Assistance

AVAILABLE TO
CHILDREN
K-12TH GRADE

This year we provided kids with access to youth sports of basketball, soccer, football, cross country, gymnastics, hockey, skating, bowling, winter guard, adaptive bowling, track and dance.

Students were also given assistance for tutoring and other academic support programs.

46th Annual Youth Recognition Banquet

19 STUDENTS WERE RECOGNIZED
THIS YEAR!

These energetic, positive, passionate, and kind students gave of their time to a variety of organizations and causes such as Grace Centers of Hope, Heavenly Paws, Rain-bow Connection, Stand Up for the Homeless Club, Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital, Dora Backpack, which gave back packs to needy children in Delfin, a remote village in the Philippines, to name just a few.



CAMP SAFARI SUMMER PROGRAM



Family Education Committee

In 2019 - 2020, RAYA offered the following programs:

- "Girls Stand Strong - Real Life Situations" presented by Samantha Walters, LLMSW,
- "What You Need To Know About Vaping" presented by Amy Drehmer, Rochester Police Officer in partnership with Ascension Providence Rochester,
- "Mindful Parenting" presented by Dr. Caryn Wells,
- "Do It For Daniel" a conversation about suicide,
- "Screenagers Next Chapter, Uncovering Skills For Stress Resilience",
- "Anxiety: Coping Effectively With The Lies And Scary Stories We Tell Ourselves" presented by Dr. James Jones in partnership with RH Public Library.





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CULTURE AND IDENTITY

Presenter: Tiffany Goliday,
Interim Director of Equity,
Inclusion and Belonging for
Rochester Community Schools

The purpose of this workshop is to engage participants in learning about culture and cultural identity. Participants will assess their own cultural competence, explore racial identity, and engage in conversations with one another to develop a deepened understanding of how culture impacts our daily lives and our ability to connect with one another. This workshop is suitable for adults and youth in middle school and above.

Thursday, February 18
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM



Registration required. Click [here](#) or scan QR code to register.



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT

The Dangers of Alcohol and Prescription Drug Misuse and Abuse



Presented by Becky Savage, 525 Foundation President

Becky Savage's two teenage sons – Nick and Jack – accidentally overdosed on a deadly cocktail of alcohol and prescription drugs on the same night in June 2015. Becky and her husband Mike turned their unimaginable grief into a powerful message: educating students, parents, lawmakers and anyone else who will listen about the dangers of prescription drugs.



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MARCH 19, 7:00 PM
ROCHESTER HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Register: raya-mi.eventbrite.org (FREE)

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QUESTIONS? CONTACT DEBBIE JONES AT DEBRA-L-JONES@HOTMAIL.COM





Free Hotdogs
today 5:30-6:30







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