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# Youth Resource Guide



A guide to community  
resources and organizations in  
the city of Holyoke for middle  
and high school students.



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## Girls Incorporated of Holyoke | Girls Inc. of Holyoke



### of Holyoke

Girls Inc. of Holyoke inspires girls to be strong, smart, and bold. What does this mean for girls? What does this mean for you? Every day girls ages 5 to 18 arrive at Girls Inc., they make new friends, design computer games, take photographs, work on school work, create websites, are matched with tutors, learn about health and safety, exercise, make friends, dance, play, write college applications, apply for scholarships, or just hang out with cool staff and mentors. Girls tell us all the time that Girls Inc. feels more like a family than an after school program.



Are you looking for an after school program where your 5-to-12-year-old girl can have fun while still building her literacy skills and learning how to take healthy risks? At Girls Inc. of Holyoke's Elementary School Program, our professionally-trained staff will help her maintain and grow academic skills, build confidence, and foster friendships and sisterhood that last a lifetime. Our programs include homework help and academic support, science and technology, literacy, health and wellness, fitness activities, field trips, and fun!

Our exciting Eureka! program is a 5-year STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) program for girls entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and continues through their 12<sup>th</sup> grade year. Eureka! takes place mainly on the UMass Amherst campus for four weeks during the month of July, for five summers. Girls from Holyoke and the surrounding areas participate in interactive programs and hands-on lab activities designed to increase their confidence, leadership, and academic skills, and prepare girls to be successful in college and their future careers.



If you are interested in joining Girls Inc., please contact Dee Ward, Director of Programs, at [dward@girlsincholyoke.org](mailto:dward@girlsincholyoke.org) or 413-538-7142

## Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts

THERE IS POWER IN EVERY G.I.R.L.  
*Unleash it at Girl Scouts.*

Join Girl Scouts where your G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-Taker, Leader)<sup>TM</sup> can transform her ideas into action, turn her questions into adventure and grow her confidence through practice.

### Contact:

Ashley Batlle  
Girl Scouts of Central and Western  
Massachusetts  
301 Kelly Way  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
Phone: 413-224-4028  
Email: [abatlle@gscwm.org](mailto:abatlle@gscwm.org)



## Boys & Girls Club of Greater Holyoke, Inc.

### School-Aged Childcare Program

The Boys & Girls Club of Greater Holyoke offers a School-Aged Childcare Program year-round. This program takes place at 70 Nick Cosmos Way. It serves youth who are between the ages of 5 and 13 and are in Kindergarten. Children's parents must be working or enrolled in a qualified training program. The program operates every afternoon after school, and all day on school closing and vacation days.



### Membership Program

The Boys & Girls Club of Greater Holyoke serves youth between the ages of 14 and 19 in our Membership program. Our Membership Program is a Drop-In Program which runs in the evening. It takes place at 70 Nick Cosmos Way. The Membership fee is \$25, payable over the course of the year.

### Satellite Units

The Boys & Girls Club of Greater Holyoke is proud to operate satellite units in several Holyoke Housing Authority communities: The Toepfert Apartments, Lyman Terrace, Beaudoin Village, and the Churchill Homes. These units enable the Club to serve children where they are ... in their neighborhoods.

### PROGRAM OFFERS:

- Open Gym & Schedule Activities
- Fitness Center
- Game Room
- Homework Help Support
- Swimming Pool
- Community Service Program
- Keystone Program
  - \* Become a leader
- Career & Money Skills
- College Prep
- Tech Room
  - \* Digital Arts
  - \* Game Maker
  - \* Video and Movie Making
  - \* PhotoShop Design



it just takes | one.



**Toepfert Unit**  
22 North. Summer St.  
Community Room  
Holyoke MA, 01040  
413-534-1681

**Churchill**  
334 Elm Street  
Holyoke MA, 01040  
413-533-4922

**Beaudoin Unit**  
15 Barrett Dr.  
Holyoke MA, 01040  
413-538-6784

**Nick Cosmos Unit**  
70 Nick Cosmos Way  
P.O. Box 6256  
Holyoke MA, 01041  
Tel: (413) 534-7366  
Fax: (413) 534-7369  
[www.hbgc.org](http://www.hbgc.org)



**HOLYOKE**  
**COMMUNITY**  
**COLLEGE**

## Summer College Youth Programs

Learn how to design video games, bake croissants, cook fresh pasta and meatballs, explore the outdoors, improve your soccer and basketball skills with College coaches or investigate the world of criminal justice. HCC offers memorable summer youth programs from June through August!

### MOVE

Baseball Clinic (ages 7-13)

En Garde! Youth Fencing (ages 10-17)

Basketball Clinics (ages 8-17)

Soccer Clinic (ages 6-16)

### EXPLORE

Engineering (Beginning & Intermediate) (ages 10-14)

Into the Wild! Wilderness Survival (ages 8-11)

Scratch! Computer Programming of Stories, Games, & Animations (ages 8-12)

### CREATE

Cooking with Chef Dino (Beginning & Intermediate) (9-14)

Baking with Chef Benton (Beginning & Intermediate) (11-14)

Beginning Web Design (ages 8-12)

Graphic Design Using Adobe Photoshop (ages 8-12)

Multi-Media Arts Exploration (ages 8-12)

Minecraft Construction (Beginning & Intermediate) (ages 8-12)

Advanced Minecraft Construction (ages 12-15)

iPhone Filmmaking (ages 12-15)

Video Game Design (Beginning & Intermediate) (ages 11-16)

### INVESTIGATE

Cops, Crime Scenes & Cold Cases: HCC Criminal Justice Academy (ages 14-17)

**For more information, call 413.552.2123 or 413.552.2500 or go to:**

**[https://www.hcc.edu/Documents/Courses-Programs/](https://www.hcc.edu/Documents/Courses-Programs/Personal%20Enrichment/)**

**[Personal%20Enrichment/](https://www.hcc.edu/Documents/Courses-Programs/Personal%20Enrichment/)**

**[SummerCamp\\_Mailer\\_2018\\_m.pdf](https://www.hcc.edu/Documents/Courses-Programs/Personal%20Enrichment/SummerCamp_Mailer_2018_m.pdf)**



Holyoke Health is a Federally-Qualified Community Health Center located in Holyoke, Massachusetts, with additional locations throughout Hampden County. We have been providing low cost medical, dental, and pharmaceutical services in both English and Spanish to the Holyoke, Chicopee, and the surrounding communities for over 40 years.

Holyoke Health offers the following services:

- Medical Care (Adult & Pediatric)
- Same Day/Urgent Care
- Dental (Adult & Pediatric)
- Pharmacy
- Behavioral Health
- Eye Care
- STI Counseling & Testing
- HIV/AIDS Care Management
- Reproductive Healthcare/Family Planning Services
- Nutrition & Wellness Programs
- Parenting & Breastfeeding Programs
- Office Based Opioid Treatment Program
- Insurance Enrollment

*With additional  
locations in  
surrounding areas*

**Holyoke Health Center  
230 Maple Street  
Holyoke, MA 01040**

For a full list of our services and programs, please visit [www.hhcinc.org](http://www.hhcinc.org)

## Holyoke Girl`s Softball League

The Holyoke Girl's Softball League provides opportunities for girls in grades 1 - 8 to learn and play the sport of softball.

- COST: \$50.00 per player /\$125 for 3 or more players per family - MUST BRING: player's birth certificate & parent/guardian I.D. when registering



### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Instructional Division – Grades K, 1, & 2

- Junior Division – Grades 3, 4, & 5 - Players must be 11 years old or younger on July 15, 2013
- Senior Division – Grades 6, 7, & 8 - Players must be 14 years old or younger on July 15, 2013

Contact Information: [www.holyokegirlssoftball.com](http://www.holyokegirlssoftball.com)





## The Holyoke Adolescent Sexual Health Pregnancy Prevention Accountability Committee (HASHPPAC)

Is a community based mayoral task force with the goal of developing multi-faceted approaches to decrease teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections in Holyoke.

Visit our website for resources on:

- Birth Control
- Pregnancy
- Young Parents
- Health Care
- LGBTQ+
- Education and Employment
- Emergency Numbers
- Fun
- Violence Intervention
- Drugs & Alcohol
- General Info



[WWW.YOUHAVECHOICESHOLYOKE.COM](http://WWW.YOUHAVECHOICESHOLYOKE.COM)



**TAPESTRY**health

Tapestry Health provides women, men, and teenagers with comprehensive community-based health services, including family planning, reproductive care, HIV counseling and testing, insurance enrollment, and much more.

Our approach emphasizes responsibility and initiative to maintain and improve personal health. We are committed to treating our clients in a respectful and compassionate manner, particularly with regard to cultural, lifestyle, or gender differences.

All of Tapestry's services are strictly confidential for everyone, including teens. Parental permission is not required to use our services.

We accept Blue Cross Blue Shield, Health New England, Neighborhood Health Plan, CeliCare, Network Health, Commonwealth Care, and MassHealth. We also provide care to uninsured individuals, with costs determined by a sliding fee scale based on income. Please call one of our sites to schedule an appointment.

### **SERVICES INCLUDE:**

- Birth control
- Emergency contraception
- STI screening and treatment
- Confidential HIV counseling and testing
- Pregnancy testing and options counseling
- Annual pelvic exams
- Pap smears
- HPV vaccination
- Health insurance enrollment assistance
- Clinical breast exams
- Referrals as needed



## Holyoke Youth Baseball League

Holyoke Youth Baseball - Holyoke Youth Baseball League accommodates about 600 youngsters each year between the ages of 7-14 in four divisions, with over 30 teams. The age groups will be as follows:

6,7,8 year olds Mighty Mite  
8,9,10 year olds Pee Wee  
11,12 year olds Midget  
13,14 year olds Sandy Koufax



How to register:

You will have three chances to register in person. Check our website to find out the dates. Every player must be accompanied by an adult, preferably a parent. Every player must show a birth certificate. Please be prepared to pay the registration fee by cash or check. The fee for Mighty Mite, Pee Wee and Midget is \$65. The fee for Sandy Koufax is \$100.

Website:

<http://www.sportssignup.com/Holyoke-Youth-Baseball-League-Online-Registration.start>

Getting Help From Holyoke Youth Baseball League:

For assistance with Registration

Contact:

Ernie Fitzell

Phone: (413-887-7224)



## Healthy Relationships

Everyone deserves to be in a safe and healthy relationship. Here are some sample questions to make sure that your dating relationship is healthy. To see the full quiz please visit the site [www.loveisrespect.org](http://www.loveisrespect.org).

### The Person I'm With

1. Is very supportive of the things that I do.
2. Understands that I have my own life too.
3. Is not liked very well by my friends.
4. Accuses me of flirting or cheating.



**Womanshelter/Compañeras** proudly hosts a basketball tournament every year. This event raises awareness for teen dating violence. Services for youth include:

- Teen Specialist to work with victims of teen dating violence
- 24 hour hotline toll free 1-877-536-1628
- Teen support services
- Child Advocacy
- In-school programming
- Consulting services



Womanshelter/Compañeras  
P.O. Box 1099  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
413-536-1628  
413-538-9717  
Administrative Office  
[www.womanshelter.org](http://www.womanshelter.org)

## Holyoke Parks and Recreation Department

Holyoke Parks and Recreation seeks to develop and promote a wide variety of recreational opportunities and to encourage and inspire all Holyoke residents to come out and play in Holyoke. A listing of City parks, recreational facilities, sport organizations and sports venues can be found on our website.

### HOLYOKE PARKS & RECREATION



There are several opportunities for youth to participate in organized sports throughout the year. If you have any further questions or would like your organization listed, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department.

#### Activities Include:

- Community Field
- Parks
- Playgrounds
- Playing Fields
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Field Hockey
- Football
- Lacrosse
- Soccer
- Softball
- Tennis
- Volleyball

#### Contact us:

Address: City Hall,

536 Dwight Street

Phone: (413) 322-5620

Website: [www.holyoke.org](http://www.holyoke.org)

## Homework House Inc.

Homework House offers FREE, individualized tutoring and mentoring for children in grades K-6 at our sites in the Flats and Churchill neighborhoods. Our program runs M-F from 3PM-6PM during the school year. M-Th the kids work with their tutors on homework and improving their reading and math skills. Fridays are for fun, academically-focused enrichment activities.

Summer Readers & Leaders is Homework House's summer program for kids who are going into 1st - 5th grades. The children work with credentialed teachers on improving their reading and writing skills. But it's not all work! Traditional summertime activities take place after lunch. And, like all Homework House programs, Summer Readers & Leaders is FREE for every child.



Summer Readers & Leaders will run from 9AM - 2PM, M-F from July 3rd through August 4th.

For more information or to enroll a child in our programs contact Homework House at:  
(413) 265-0107 or (413) 887-2012  
[info@homeworkhouseholyokey.org](mailto:info@homeworkhouseholyokey.org)



## Holyoke Youth Soccer League (HYSL)

A recreational fall league that services Holyoke residents ages 5 -14 years old and not in high school. All players are placed on a team and all games are played in Holyoke.

Contact Information: PO Box 6789 Holyoke MA, 01041

Website: [www.holyokeyouthsoccer.org](http://www.holyokeyouthsoccer.org)

Current Rates are (late fees are included):

- Single child Sign-up: - \$50
- Two Children Sign-up: - \$100
- Three Children Sign-up: - \$120

During the summer months volunteers will host activities for children at different park locations in Holyoke.



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## The Holyoke Urban Bike School

HUBS is an after school program which uses bicycle mechanics and riding as a vehicle for youth development. Our programs are structured to instill confidence, leadership skills, and collaboration skills in our students. We aim to make cycling, from silly to serious, a viable option to members of the greater Holyoke Community.

- **Earn-a-Bike:** Students learn basic repair skills in this 20 hour introductory course. Each class covers a different mechanical system on a bike. Upon completing the course, the bike is theirs to keep. Open to students 11-16.
- **Bike Crew:** Bike Crew is an advanced mechanics program open to graduates of Earn-a-Bike. Through their work time, participants can earn volunteer hours which can be traded in for parts and supplies. Participants refurbish bikes for sales, and are invited to participate in regular group rides.
- **Bike Shop:** HUBS is a full service bike shop. We offer labor and parts at affordable prices. Low cost bicycles of all styles are always available for sale, any time we are open!

You can enroll by filling out an application at the Greater Holyoke YMCA or by downloading the application from our website, <http://www.holyokeymca.org/programs/hubs/>

For more information: Colby Singleton

E-mail: [csingleton@holyokeymca.org](mailto:csingleton@holyokeymca.org) Phone: 413-534-5631 x114



## Timothy Hill Christian Camp

*"The Retreat at Norwich Lake is the Massachusetts campus of Timothy Hill – which seeks to provide 'Transformation Through Love'. The Retreat at Norwich Lake does this by providing high quality hospitality to all who choose to stay with us – for a group retreat or individual family stay.*

*The Retreat at Norwich Lake also runs a Christian summer sleep away camp in July for teens and kids from all backgrounds. Young people grow spiritually, make new friends, ride a horse, swim in our lake, jump on our water trampoline, kayak, shoot an arrow and have the time of their lives!!!"*

### CONTACT:

Glynn Chambers (Director)  
128 Norwich Lake  
Huntington, MA 01050  
(413) 207-3142



For summer camp details head to: [www.timothyhill.org/summercamp](http://www.timothyhill.org/summercamp)  
To stay with us and support our mission head to: [www.retreatatnorwichlake.org](http://www.retreatatnorwichlake.org)



## New Horizons Family Community Center, Inc.

Are you between the ages of 8 and 17? Are you ready for a Physical Fitness challenge? then you are ready for a challenge with New Horizons Family Community Centers Inc "Youth Challenge Club"

Fitness



Respect

Nutrition



Discipline



Sports



Drill



Academics

For registration please call: (413) 657-9144 New Horizons Family Community Center Inc.

Program meets on Saturdays at the War Memorial Building from 9:00AM until 12:00PM. Students will learn the art of Physical Fitness- Swimming – Running - Weight Training and Nutrition. There will be a fee of \$35.00 for 12 weeks. (payments can be arranged)

NHFCC Youth Challenge Club is sponsored by: The War Memorial Commission, Holyoke Public Schools – Holyoke Parks and Recreations.

### Contact:

Felicita Lopez  
P.O. Box 4935  
Holyoke MA, 010410  
Phone: (413)657-9144  
Email: newhzn@yahoo.com



## Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hampden County

Imagine what our community would actually be like if every child who needed a Big Brother or a Big Sister had one. We'd see thousands of children doing better in school, and fewer teens would be using drugs and alcohol. Thousands of children would be happier, healthier, and connected to positive adult role-models. Suddenly, the future of our children and of our community is filled with promise. It is all within our grasp!



Big Brothers Big Sisters

All we need now is YOU!

### Address

83 Maple Street, Suite 201

Springfield, MA 01105

Telephone 413.781.4730

Fax 413.733.2257

Website [www.bigbrothers-sisters.org](http://www.bigbrothers-sisters.org)



## Project 13

Project 13 is a drop out prevention program which begins when scholars who are determined to be at risk for school drop-out enter 7th grade or approach the age of 13.

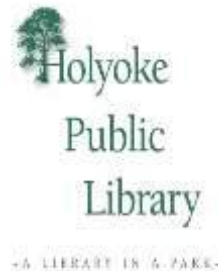
We believe that participation in Project-13 will have the additional positive effects of reducing teen pregnancy, crime, violence, court involvement and dependence on the social welfare system .



Contact Chris Duff  
130 Race Street  
Holyoke MA, 01040  
phone number (413)427-2063  
email [cduff@positiveregard.com](mailto:cduff@positiveregard.com)

## Holyoke Public Library

The mission of the Holyoke Public Library is to provide the citizens of Holyoke with the tools and opportunities to improve themselves and their quality of life while promoting literacy, the enjoyment of reading and life-long learning through the provision of equal access to library materials, services, facilities, technology, up-to-date resources and programs to meet the educational, informational, social, cultural, and recreational needs for residents of all ages and abilities in the City of Holyoke and surrounding areas.



Contact: María Pagán  
250 Chestnut Street  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
Phone: (413) 420-8101  
Email: [library@holyoke.org](mailto:library@holyoke.org)



The Holyoke Public Library has a designated Teen Room, which is a space youth can really call their own and express themselves. Enjoy computers, check out the latest books, play a game from our large game collection, color and craft, participate in a program, or just relax with friends. Or just relax with a friend in a designated room for younger children where they can listen to stories, be creative, socialize and learn while having fun.

For Children's Room, call 413-420-8105.

For more information please contact: Teen Outreach Librarian Rachel Dowd at 413-420-8119 or [rdowd@holyokelibrary.org](mailto:rdowd@holyokelibrary.org)

## The CONNECTIONS After School Program

### HPS Department of Enrichment & Extended Learning

Our mission is to support schools in addressing persistent opportunity and achievement gaps by increasing the quality and access to **excellent** enrichment and extended learning experiences that will prepare students to excel in college, career and community leadership.

The Department Plans and Implements the following programs: The Connections After-school Program for Students in Grades K-8 offers afterschool programming for students at E.N. White, Peck, McMahon, Donahue and Morgan. April Math Vacation Academy for students in grades 3-5 from across the district. HPS Summer Learning Academies for students in Grades K-12 from across the district.

All programs include opportunities for targeted academic support, recreation and physical education and various engaging enrichment activities. Enrichment activities include STEM Robotics, Aviation, Fashion, "Mathletics," Gardening, Dance, Drumming, Graphic Design, Karate and Yoga. Enrichments vary by school and program.



For More Information, reach out to Rob Arpin, Director of Enrichment and Extended Learning, [rarpin@hps.holyoke.ma.us](mailto:rarpin@hps.holyoke.ma.us) or Ronny Hernandez, Manager, [rohernandez@hps.holyoke.ma.us](mailto:rohernandez@hps.holyoke.ma.us)  
Website: <https://www.hps.holyoke.ma.us/families/before-after-school/>





## Mt. Holyoke Management, LLC Youth RAP Program

"The Mt. Holyoke Management, LLC Youth RAP program and the South Canal Community Center is a neighborhood based learning and summer drop-in center free of charge to Mt. Holyoke Management residents.



Our goal is to offer our youths a positive and safe environment where they can learn, unwind and become productive members of the community."

Youth RAP addresses the lack of resources for young people living in MassHousing developments. Youth RAP began in 1991 with programs at seven MassHousing developments in Boston. The next year, the program went statewide and is now offered year-round.

### Program offerings include:

- Educational support (i.e., GED, tutoring, ESL, after-school)
- Recreational activities
- Programs that promote youth leadership, self-esteem, and respect
- Cultural/educational activities
- Violence prevention/dispute resolution
- Part-time or summer jobs

### Contact Information

Shakira Hernández  
Resident Service Coordinator  
South Canal Community Center  
12 Sargeant St rear  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
Phone: 413-539-0580  
Fax: 413-535-1855

Sandra Rojas  
Resident Service Coordinator,  
Sargeant West Community Center  
151 West St  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
Phone: 533-4944  
Fax: 532-1843

Property Manager  
Mayra Ramos  
18 Hamilton St  
Phone: 535-1955

Acting Property Manager  
Jeanette Torres  
Phone: 532-9268



**Mt. Holyoke Management, LLC**



## Transformative Culture Project

The Transformative Culture Project (TCP), formerly known as Press Pass TV, uses media arts and culture as tools to transform lives and communities. Our Western MA branch is based in Holyoke and works to train and employ youth in the media arts with a social impact focus.



**We run our Beyond Creative Program** during the summer as a 6-week training for high-school aged youth. We also offer this during the school year as an afterschool program. Participants who commit their time and energy into this intensive program will get paid a stipend or an hourly wage. Our team of 8-10 Youth Producers will be trained to make videos for local nonprofit clients, and will also make their own films about topics that are important to them. Our youth will be trained in and responsible for developing stories; researching local issues; operating cameras, microphones, and lighting equipment; editing videos; & participating in all workshops.



<a href="http://www.tcpproject.org">www.tcpproject.org</a> 413.320.0323 <a href="mailto:reach@tcpproject.org">reach@tcpproject.org</a>	<b>CONTACT US</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/transformculture">/transformculture</a> <a href="https://www.instagram.com/topro">/topro</a>	295 High St. Holyoke, MA 01040
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## The Valley Opportunity Council, Inc.

Valley Opportunity Council (VOC) is a Community Action Agency that provides services to participants throughout Hampden County. VOC offers over 30 programs in a wide variety of areas including:

- Adult education
- Citizenship classes
- College and career readiness
- Early education and care (center and home based)
- English classes
- Fuel assistance
- Homeless services
- Housing
- Money management
- Senior services
- Youth services, and WIC.



**Please call  
413-552-1554  
or visit  
[www.valleyopp.com](http://www.valleyopp.com)  
for more information!**

**Mt. Carmel and Montgomery Center After School and Summer Programs:**

These programs offer after school activities and Summer programs for children ages 6 to 12. We provide help with homework, organized arts and crafts, as well as team oriented games. Although our Mt. Carmel and Montgomery Centers are located in Chicopee, Holyoke residents are welcome to join us! The afterschool program number is 552-1559.



Please call 413-552-1554 or send us a message on Facebook,  
<https://www.facebook.com/ValleyOpportunityCouncil/>  
 for more information!

## Holyoke School Department

At Holyoke Public Schools, we are creating a pathway for every student. We strive to be Holyoke families' first choice for their children's education.

**Our vision** is for our students to graduate with an additional credential that provides for college and career options; think critically and communicate with purpose; value themselves, value others and value being part of the Holyoke community; and lead with Growth Mindset and Self-Management.

**The values that guide our work are to:**

- Encourage bold thinking
- Explore all possibilities for student success
- Embrace all students and families as our own
- Empower school teams to impact change
- Engage in meaningful feedback

We are a school district on the rise, with over 5,400 students served by 12 schools. We are expanding choices for students through innovative programs, community initiatives and university partnerships that help students develop a wide range of skills and interests and explore college and career options.

**Dr. Stephen Zrike, Superintendent/Receiver**

**Contact:** Bonnie O'Donnell, 57 Suffolk Street, First Floor, Phone: (413) 534-2000, ext. 1100, 1102, 1103

SCHOOLS	GRADES	ADDRESS/PHONE
Maurice A. Donahue School	PK-8	210 Whiting Farms Road, 413-534-2069/70
Dr. Marcella R. Kelly Full Service Community School	PK-4, 6-8	216 West Street, 413-534-2078/79
H.B. Lawrence Full Service Community School	PK-3 (PK operated by Head Start)	156 Cabot Street, 413-534-2075
Lt. Elmer J. McMahon School	PK-8	75 Kane Road, 413-534-2062/63
Joseph Metcalf School	PK-4	2019 Northampton Street, 413-534-2104
William G. Morgan Full Service Community School	PK-4	596 South Bridge Street, 413-534-2083/84
William R. Peck Full Service Community School	4-8	1916 Northampton Street, 413-534-2040/41
Lt. Clayre Sullivan School	PK-8, (PK operated by VOC)	400 Jarvis Avenue, 413-534-2060/61
E.N. White School	PK-5	1 Jefferson Street, 413-534-2058/59
Veritas Prep Holyoke	5	1916 Northampton Street Visit: <a href="https://www.hps.holyoke.ma.us/veritas-prep-holyoke/">https://www.hps.holyoke.ma.us/veritas-prep-holyoke/</a>
Holyoke STEM Academy	6-8	1045 Main Street Visit: <a href="https://www.hps.holyoke.ma.us/holyoke-stem-academy/">https://www.hps.holyoke.ma.us/holyoke-stem-academy/</a>
Holyoke High School North Campus	9-12	500 Beech Street, 413-534-2020/21
Holyoke High School Dean Campus	9-12	1045 Main Street, 413-534-2071/72

## Salvation Army Holyoke Corps.

Program: Bridging the Gap

Mission Statement: Bridging the Gap's mission is to educate youth on the resources and tools needed for them to make better decisions for themselves and ultimately attain a more promising future.



Bridging the Gap is a twelve week life skills program for at-risk and high-risk youth ages 12-17 years old (18) in High School. Bridging the Gap works with the district attorney's office, probation departments, courts, police departments, the Department of Children and Families and local schools. We take referrals from all these sources, as well as from parents and other agencies that work with youth. Youth attend the program after school for three days a week (two to three hours each session) depends on activity. Group discussion, brainstorming, videos, worksheets, and other creative activities are used to aid youth in understanding and benefiting from the lesson. In addition to the core life-skills education, the participants have an opportunity to eat together and have some time to enjoy recreation and/or sports under the supervision of BTG staff. Personalized tutoring, art and music lessons and computer literacy are also offered. Guest speakers from the community are invited to share their expertise in the subject areas. Field trips include various colleges, museums and outdoor recreation opportunities such as kayaking on the Charles and visiting the seashore.

\*When program is completed youth will have a graduation and will receive a year free membership at the YMCA in Holyoke. Youth will also be able to participate in the Peer Leader program.

For more information please contact:

Anthony Falvo - Director  
Bridging the Gap (BTG)  
The Salvation Army  
271 Appleton Street  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
Office Phone: 413-532-6312  
Cell Phone: 413-846-3023  
Fax: 413-533-1968  
Afalvo@use.salvationarmy.org  
Office Hours:  
Tues. Wed. and Fri. from 9 am - 6 pm

## NEARI Jump-Start

The NEARI School is divided into three programs: 1) the the NEARI Elementary School (for grades 3-6), the NEARI Middle School (grades 7-8), and the NEARI High School (for grades 9-12).



NEARI Jump-Start is a safe place where you can enjoy:

Homework Help Outdoor	Peer Groups
Activities Sports	Artistic Opportunities
Cooking	Field Trips
Recreational Opportunities	Arts and Crafts
	And much More!

NEARI Jump-Start  
Dimarie Rodriguez  
Steve Lieblum: 413 532-1713 ext. 15  
70 N. Summer St.  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
Phone: 413-532-1713 Ext 15



## Gándara Center



The Gándara Center's mission is to promote the well-being of diverse populations through innovative, culturally sensitive behavioral health, substance use, prevention and educational services. Founded in 1977 to advocate and provide for equal services in the Hispanic community, the Gándara Center has been providing the Valley's most vulnerable populations with sensitive and appropriate care for 40 years. Today, the Gándara Center serves a diverse multicultural clientele in more than 40 locations across Massachusetts.

Our family-centered and community-based approach reaches nearly 14,000 children, families, and adults every year through residential, mental health, substance use, and preventative services. [www.gandaracenter.org](http://www.gandaracenter.org)

### **Community Outreach Services**

#### ***Specialized Community Service Agency (S-CSA)***

Gándara Center specializes in providing a variety of bilingual, bicultural services to youth with serious emotional disturbances (SED) and their families using a wraparound approach. Eligibility: Must be under 21 years-old; enrolled in MassHealth Common or Standard.

#### ***Intensive Care Coordination (ICC)***

Intensive Care Coordination takes on the responsibility of coordinating all necessary medical services for youth with serious emotional disturbances (SED) and assures the service plans are based on the individual patient's medical and cultural needs/situations.

#### ***Family Support & Training***

This structured, one-on-one relationship is focused on helping parents/caregivers of youth with serious emotional disturbances (SED). The program helps parents/caregivers navigate youth care systems such as DCF, education, mental health, and juvenile justice.

#### ***Therapeutic Mentoring***

Mentors develop structured, one-to-one supportive relations with youth to address daily living, social, and communication needs.

#### ***In-Home Behavioral Services***

Services are delivered by one or more professional and paraprofessional staff who offers a combination of medically necessary behavior management therapy and behavior management monitoring.

*For any of the services above, please contact:*

Intake Coordinator, (413) 322-7380 x330  
255 High Street  
Holyoke, MA 01040

### **Gándara Youth Development Center**

Youth Resource Center provides resources to both Gándara residential youth and Holyoke community youth. Services include: Expressive Art program; computing and technology program; job search and career placement; media literacy program; after school programming; academic support; therapeutic mentoring and youth empowerment programs.

#### ***Community Hours:***

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 12 p.m. – 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Friday BY APPOINTMENT: 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

306 Race Street (lower level), Holyoke

For more information about the Youth Development Center, contact: Korie Mix, (413) 533-3504

## Raising A Reader MA

Raising A Reader MA partners with Holyoke programs serving families with children ages 0-5, providing children's books and parent education about fun, effective book sharing at home. Look for us at events and workshops to learn about how to support the future academic success of the child in your life!

Questions please email: [francia@raisingareaderma.org](mailto:francia@raisingareaderma.org)  
or call (413) 297-8430 for more information. **enter.org**

### **Francia Wisnewski**

Regional Program Manager -  
Holyoke

[Raising A Reader MA](#)

Tel: (413) 297-8430

[www.raisingareaderma.org](http://www.raisingareaderma.org)



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## Youth Advocacy Division



### Youth Advocacy Division

Director Joshua M. Dohan. Assistant Director Priscilla Duffy

#### **What We Do**

The Youth Advocacy Division (YAD) ensures that every child from an indigent family in Massachusetts has access to zealous legal representation that incorporates a Youth Development Approach, resulting in fair treatment in court. YAD works with each client to achieve both legal and life success. Through individual representation and systemic advocacy, YAD partners with other state agencies, as well as community organizations and local agencies, to work toward creating safer and healthier communities.

YAD's Springfield Office represents children in delinquency and youthful offender proceedings. YAD provides effective representation in court as well as educational advocacy and individualized referrals to community-based resources. YAD attorneys are available for consultation and court appointed legal representation. If you would like more information about the court process or local programs that support youth please contact us. We serve youth in Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden, and Hampshire Counties.



**YAD Springfield**  
101 State Street, Suite 210  
Springfield, MA 01103  
Attorney in Charge: Patrick Sparks  
413.750.1640 (p)  
413.733.2048 (f)

## Iglesia Bíblica Bautista - APART Students

We are a faith-based youth group that meets on Friday nights to discuss real life issues that challenge us to grow in our relationship with God. We connect through games, videos, practical teachings and small group discussions. Also through out the year we connect with other students in the area through summer camps, outings, and much more. We invite you to come and hang out with us and see for yourself!



The Goal of our student ministry is to connect students to God's love, to help them grow in their relationship with Christ, to offer opportunities to serve one another and help them share the Good News to others.

Address & Contact  
IBB Church  
375 South Elm St  
Holyoke, Ma 01040

For more information:  
Johnny Gonzalez  
johnny610@comcast.net  
413-896-2296

September–May 7th-12th Grades  
Friday Nights 7:30-9:30

## CareerPOINT MASSACHUSETTS ONE-STOP CAREER CENTERS

Youth Career Counseling Services (Ages 14 to 24)

- Career, College, and Vocational Training Exploration
- Job Skills and Job Search Workshops
- Career Counseling
- Job Search Assistance
- Summer Job Opportunities and Placement (eligibility requirements)
- Internships and Community Service
- Work Readiness Preparation and Certification
- Resume Development and Interview Preparation
- Financial Aid Information Referrals
- HiSET, ESOL (English as a Second Language), Adult Basic Education (ABE) Referrals
- Westover Job Corp Referrals
- School Drop-out Intervention
- Hawk Student Engagement Career Center at Dean Tech – Career Exploration (see above); Postsecondary Exploration -FAFSA Review, College Essay Prep, Referrals to support services; Additional Exploration - How to Open a Bank Account and Balance a Checkbook; And Collaboration with Dean Faculty and Staff
- Holyoke High School After School Connections Program – Program designed to help students excel academically and socially with planned activities and tutoring opportunities. CareerPoint works as a resource to assist students with resume critique, application help, post-secondary preparation, and more. Each Monday there is a different guest speaker who speaks to the students about their experiences and journey to their current career.

**CareerPoint, 850 High Street, Holyoke, MA 01040**  
**413-532-4900 [www.careerpointma.org](http://www.careerpointma.org)**





## The Greater Holyoke YMCA

### After School & Summer Camp

The Greater Holyoke YMCA provides after school & summer camps for kids ages 5 thru 13. You'll enjoy age-appropriate activities that will help you develop socially, physically, and academically. Our programming includes homework help, arts and crafts, physical activities, outside play and snacks.



### Preschool

The Y-Kids Preschool is a full or 1/2 day program for 3 to 5 year olds and is located at St. Paul's Church.

### Fit Zone

The Y's Fit Zone is designed to help our young members become more active, have fun and create healthy habits to last a lifetime!

### Swim Lessons

When it comes to swimming the sooner the safer! Our swim lessons teach safety and responsibility around water. Participants gain confidence and self-esteem as they work to become better, safer swimmers. We have swimming programs and pool options for every level of swimmer, from the absolute beginner to advanced swim lessons and our Vikings Swim Team.

### And More ...

The Y also offers Safe Sitter Babysitting classes, teen basketball league and Hip-hop dance classes.

Visit the 'Programs' page of our website for the most up to date program times.

Monday through Friday- 5:30 AM to 9:30 PM  
Saturday- 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
Sunday-9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

### Directions

171 Pine Street  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
Phone: 413 534-5631  
Fax: 413 536-9622  
Email: [www.holyokeymca.org](http://www.holyokeymca.org)



## HOLYOKE ROWS

The Holyoke Rows boathouse is full of kaaks, canoes and rowing shells waiting for you. We are located just past Dean Tech on Lower Main Street in Holyoke and next to the Nuestra Raices farm.



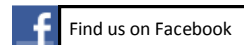
Want to be part of something big? Be part of an 8 person crew in a 60 foot long racing shell. Join our high school or middle school rowing team. Practice after school 3 days/week for middle school and 5 days/week for high school rowers. We have a fall and a spring season. Our high school rowing team competes against other high school teams.

Join one of our ½ day week long summer kayak and rowing camps. Sign up in advance and have fun this summer developing your boating skills and playing on the river. All our youth programs are free or low cost.

Join the boathouse and enjoy the use of our boats all season with your family or friend. We are a Paralympic sport club and offer free adaptive paddling and rowing for people with disabilities and returning military veterans and their families. Contact us to schedule up a lesson.



Holyoke Rows  
25 Jones Ferry Road  
Holyoke, MA 01040  
[www.holykerows.org](http://www.holykerows.org)  
E-mail: [smoore@holykerows.org](mailto:smoore@holykerows.org)  
Phone: 413 320-3134



## Gandara After School Program

G.A.P. implements an incentive program to youth who demonstrate positive social behavior amongst peers and with staff. Youth are encouraged to work cooperatively together and peer mentor each other during activity and play. G.A.P. staff also maintain active, near daily communication with parents, foster parents, social workers, Family Networks, and school systems. These communications serve both to gather information about each participant's strengths and needs, and to report back on youth successes.



- Fun Activities
- Field Trips
- Creative arts and crafts
- McCray's Farm
- Swimming
- Springfield Museums
- Yoga
- Holyoke Children's Museum
- Basketball
- Springfield Armor Basketball games

Gandara Afterschool Program is a Large Group and School Age Child Care (School Age Child Care in HOLYOKE MA. It has maximum capacity of 15 children.

Contact:  
Korie Mix  
297 Main Street  
Holyoke MA, 01040  
Phone: (413)533-3504  
Email: kmix@gandaracenter.org

## NUEVA ESPERANZA

Art and Educational Workshops  
From Monday through Friday  
For youth ages 8 to 14



Mon. – Fri. Homework/Tutoring Project  
Mon. & Wed. Karate/Poem  
Tue. & Thu. Art/Mural  
Fri. Project Adventure/Computer and Technology Program



## Holyoke Youth Football

Holyoke Youth Football - The Holyoke Youth Football League provides children in grades 3 - 8 an opportunity to play organized football.

Games are played in Holyoke and surrounding communities.

There may be age restrictions which exclude some eighth grade students.

Questions about Holyoke Youth Football?

[www.whyfootball.org](http://www.whyfootball.org)

Please contact:

Mark Lubold,

Phone: 413 530-5896

E-mail: [mlubold@comcast.net](mailto:mlubold@comcast.net)



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## American Foundation For Suicide Prevention

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention is dedicated to saving lives and bringing hope to those affected by suicide. AFSP creates a culture that's smart about mental health through education and community programs, develops suicide prevention through research and advocacy, and provides support for those affected by suicide.

Through programs like More Than Sad, Signs Matter: Early Detection, and our Model School Policy, we teach schools and communities how to prevent suicide. AFSP programs and trainings teach teens to recognize the signs of depression in themselves and others, teach parents how to initiate a conversation about mental health with their child, and give educators and school administrators comprehensive ways to implement suicide prevention policies in their local community. We also strive to challenge the stigma surrounding depression, and demystify the treatment process.

Suicide is the 3<sup>rd</sup> leading cause of death of children 10 -14 years old in Massachusetts and it is preventable - Learn the Signs. Save a life.

Find out more about these programs available to you, your schools, and your community at [www.afsp.org](http://www.afsp.org) or contact the Western Mass AFSP Area Director Heather White at [hwhite@afsp.org](mailto:hwhite@afsp.org)



**AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR**  
**Suicide Prevention**



## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA<sup>®</sup>

### WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS COUNCIL

**WMAscouting.org**  
**Tel: (413) 594-9196**



### Cub Scouts

#### Big Smiles Build Bigger Futures

##### Boys 5-10 Years Old or Grades K-5

When you're a kid, fun comes first. Final exams, driver's ed and summer jobs will arrive soon enough. Cub Scouts lets kids have fun while teaching them skills that will help them later on. From the thrill of shooting an arrow to learning how to transform a block of wood into a race car, Cub Scouts is one thrill after another. With a program expertly tailored to match each age in a young boy's life, Cub Scouts learn that even when fun isn't easy, it's always an adventure. In Scouting, everything has a purpose. It shows kids that doing their best is the most fun of all.



### Boy Scouts

#### Turning Good Kids Into Tomorrow's Leaders Boys 11-17 years old

With more than 130 Merit Badges—from Archery and Art to Welding and Wilderness Survival—Scouting is the ultimate form of learning by doing. Boy Scouts explore their interests and improve their skills while working toward Scouting's highest rank: Eagle. By first imagining, planning then doing their own service projects, Boy Scouts learn the value of hard work, and experience the thrill of seeing it pay off. Add in outdoor adventures, hiking and camping, and Scouting gives boys all the experience they need to become men.



### Venturing or Sea Scouts

#### Helping Young Men and Women Discover Cool Opportunities 14-20 years

All teens have one a moment that opens their eyes to a world that's bigger than they ever imagined. It might happen while paddling a quiet lake, bonding with new friends around a beach bonfire, or rising to the challenge of leading an exhausted crew to the edges of adventure. Venturing gives young men and women access to a range of programs and empowers them to create their own experiences. It brings Scouting values to life through both high adventure outdoor activities and challenging real-world projects.



Get "Hooked on Scouting" and join us for free fishing events on June 11 and September 10, 2016!

## MSPCC

The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (MSPCC) is a private, non-profit agency dedicated to protecting and promoting the rights and well-being of children and families. We believe that every child deserves to be safe and healthy, that children grow up best in families and that all families deserve support.



Services MSPCC provides in the Greater Holyoke area include:

- **Pregnancy & Parenting Support:** MSPCC supports teen and young adult parents beginning at pregnancy. Home visitors offer encouragement and education to parents through each stage of pregnancy and early childhood development and offer guidance to parents in reaching educational and career goals.
- **Child & Family Behavioral Health Services:** MSPCC provides counseling for children and families in their homes, in schools, and in our Family Counseling Centers. Our clinicians work with children and adolescents with behavioral health needs through both one-on-one and family counseling.
- **Trauma Counseling:** MSPCC clinicians help children who have experienced traumatic events like physical or sexual abuse, domestic violence, community violence, or the death of a loved one heal using highly effective treatments.
- **Support for Families Involved with DCF:** MSPCC provides services to families involved with the Department of Children and Families, providing counseling and help with case management.
- **Foster/Kin Family Support:** MSPCC's Kid's Net Program provides support to foster families and kinship caregivers, helping them manage the needs of children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect.

**Contact:**

Angie Morrell, LMHC  
Prevention Director at MSPCC  
Phone: (413) 532-9446  
amorrell@eliotchs.org  
9 Sullivan Road  
Holyoke, MA 01040

## DJ Terrain

DJ Terrain owner of Urban Terrain Sounds born in the South Bronx, NYC where rap and hip hop started.





## Paulo Freire Social Justice Charter School

The Paulo Freire Social Justice Charter School (PFSJ) is a public high school preparing students for college success while inspiring them to be active and effective citizens. We achieve educational excellence and social responsibility for all our students through high expectations and rigorous academic and social justice curriculum. Our students graduate with strong intellectual and ethical foundations necessary for future leaders of a global society.



We offer smaller class sizes, college prep, Dual Enrollment Program in conjunction with Holyoke Community College, and an excellent internship program

### Sports

Basketball  
Baseball  
Soccer  
Track and field  
Cross country  
Volleyball

### Essentials

Theater  
Hiking  
College Prep  
Community Service  
Debate  
Poetry

### Special Groups

Student Ambassador Program  
We Program  
After School Program  
College and career counseling

For more information visit us at [www.paulofreirecharterschool.org](http://www.paulofreirecharterschool.org),

Or contact our Enrollment Coordinator Luis Perez at

[lperez@paulofreirecharterschool.org](mailto:lperez@paulofreirecharterschool.org) or at 413-536-3201 Ext.217

161 Lower Westfield Rd, Holyoke, MA 01040

You can also visit our social media pages on facebook:

@paulofreirecharterschool or Twitter: @Pfreirecharter



## IAR Holyoke Iglesia Apostolica Renovacion: Holyoke

**REALM:** Growth, Development, Purpose, Calling, Challenges, these are some of the issues youth confront on a daily basis. We are committed to join and guide each youth in their journey with God.



Our weekly gatherings are marked by authentic relationships, fun, and discipleship building. If you are a youth in middle school or high school, we invite you to join us for our REALM encounters on Sundays and our Friday Explosions Rally taking place.

For more information visit us at our Facebook REALM page or call us at 413-533-3363.

**REAL EMPOWERING AWAKEING LOVING MINISTRY**



### **True partners in care.**

Active participation can make all the difference to our wellbeing. That's why we offer school-based behavioral health services throughout the Holyoke school system. We also offer school-based health centers/teen clinics at Holyoke High School, Dean Technical Vocational High School and Peck Community School. Outpatient behavioral health clinics are also located in Holyoke, Chicopee and Springfield.

Call (413) 540-1234 to learn more.

## Westover Job Corps Center



### CAREERS BEGIN HERE

Las mision de Job Corps es educar y capacitar a jovenes altamente motivados para carreras exitosas en las industrias de mas rapido crecimiento en la nacion. [www.Mifuturo.jobcorps.gov](http://www.Mifuturo.jobcorps.gov) call Admissions at (413) 593-4248

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PHARMACY TECHNICIAN  
PLUMBING  
WELDING

Apply anytime, new students start each week. Non-Residential and Residential options available

Tuition free program, room & board, dozens of add-on services, free to eligible youth ages 16-24

Drivers Education

HiSET or HSD

Career Placement Support

Medical, Dental, Vision, Mental Health services on site

Job Corps is on Facebook, YouTube and Instagram!

[www.Recruiting.jobcorps.gov](http://www.Recruiting.jobcorps.gov)



Job Corps is a U.S. Department of Labor Equal Opportunity Employer Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

TDD/TYY telephone number is (877) 889-5627

## **New England Farm Workers' Council Youth Program**



**WIOA HiSET Youth Program**  
**205 High Street**  
**Holyoke, MA 01040**  
**413-315-6133 Ext 11**

The New England Farm Workers' Council Workforce Innovative Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth program provides out-of-school youth, ages 16 -24 with the opportunity to complete their education and find employment through workforce development.

We offer a variety of services that will enhance your educational experience:

- Signaling Success Work Readiness Program
- Paid and Unpaid Work Experiences
- Guidance and Counseling
- HiSET preparation on the AnyWhere Learning System (ALS)
- Guidance on Career Pathway
- Support Services
- Involvement in community service
- Educational field trips
- Mentoring
- Tutoring
- Speaker Events
- Job Placement
- Life Skills Workshops

**Strive.Persevere.Succeed.**

**Call us today!**

Website:

[http:// nefwcyouthprogram.wix.com/nefwc](http://nefwcyouthprogram.wix.com/nefwc)

### The Garden:

A Center for Grieving Children and Teens, a program of Cooley Dickinson VNA & Hospice provides bereavement support services to youth and their families following the death of someone close. There are no limits of when, where or how to the death occurred. There are no fees to participate.

Youth, ages 5-18 years participate with an adult caregiver on Sunday afternoons from 2-4 pm during the school year. Periodic summer programming also available.

For more information, Call Shelly Bathe Lenn at 413 582 5312, or email [slenn@cooleydickinson.org](mailto:slenn@cooleydickinson.org).

Check out our website:  
[www.vnaandhospice.org/thegarden](http://www.vnaandhospice.org/thegarden).



**Western Mass Pediatrics**



**Accepting New Patients**

Call today for an appointment at (413) 534-2800.

 **Western Mass Physician Associates**  
a member of the Holyoke Medical Center family

## LightHouse Holyoke

LightHouse Holyoke is an education program for teens ages 13-18 who are looking for a personalized school experience. LightHouse offers students the opportunity to discover and pursue their passions, and to develop the skills they will need as they move forward into the 21st century. We change the teacher-student relationship entirely to create a truly collaborative process founded in trust and mutual respect.

Our program is founded on a few simple, yet radical understandings:

- Everyone wants to succeed.
- No single environment is ideal for all learners.
- People of all ages deserve respect and autonomy.
- New ways of thinking and being in the world demand new educational strategies.

Education at LightHouse is entirely personalized. Each student's curriculum consists of a mix of LightHouse classes, tutorials, and independent work, and can also include college classes, online classes, internships, volunteer work, and/or paid work. LightHouse is small—only 45 students—so that staff and students can build real relationships and create individual learning plans that are completely personalized.

To learn more, contact Josiah Litant or Catherine Gobron, Co-Directors:

LightHouse Holyoke  
208 Race St.  
413-420-8299  
[contact@lighthouseholyokey.org](mailto:contact@lighthouseholyokey.org)





**NUEVA ESPERANZA**

*Creation, Community, Culture.*



**NUEVA ESPERANZA INC / CUYO SOCIAL JUSTICE PROGRAM**

What does CUYO mean?

Cuyo is a Taino Indian word meaning light or fire. The CUYO Social Justice Summer Program for Teens seeks to shed light on the injustices of the world and teach teens how to combat them. We teach youth how to gain access to the tools that will enhance their learning and ignite the fire from within to walk a path of empowerment and solidarity.

CSJP is a program committed to social change. Inspired by activist and author Paulo Freire, we encourage youth (9-13 years old) to make a difference on a cause they care about -- all while having one of the best experiences of their life.

At CUYO we strongly believe in education as a key tool to one's liberation and decolonization journey. We encourage youth to become the change they want to see manifest in the world.

What are the benefits of attending CSJSP?

1. Strengthen your confidence and believe in yourself
2. Build community
3. Gain individualized mentorship from experienced staff and like-minded peers in our small camp environment
4. Find your voice and be able to speak up about what's important to you
5. Deepen your understanding of the problems in our world and how to contribute to the betterment of our communities
6. Learn to enhance your talents and apply them to the collective liberation of oppressed folk
7. Become part of an inspiring community of people who will cheer you on long after summer ends

**What age range is this targeted for?**

**Cuyo Social Justice Participants are ages 9 – 13 years old.**

What are the program hours & dates?

Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 4:30 pm (July – August)

\*Visit our website [www.nuevaofholyo.org](http://www.nuevaofholyo.org)  
for fall hours / school break programs. \*

Contact: Executive Director Nelson Rafael Roman, 413-276-9480,  
[NuevaHolyokeED@gmail.com](mailto:NuevaHolyokeED@gmail.com), 401 Main Street, Holyoke, MA 01040.

## Center for Human Development



**The Center for Human Development (CHD)** is a nonprofit of more than 70 programs that deliver a wide variety of integrated health care and social services in communities throughout Western Massachusetts and Connecticut in areas such as early intervention, youth mentoring, family stabilization, foster care, occupational therapy, intellectual and physical disabilities, mental health/addiction, homelessness prevention, cancer support and juvenile justice. CHD has been helping people build strong, productive relationships since 1972. Each year, our community based social service and behavioral health programs reach over 20,000 people. CHD is dedicated to advocacy, empowerment and fostering independence and community integration of the people we serve. We have earned a local and national reputation for innovation in service delivery model is supported.

**CHD offers a wide variety of services and programs throughout Western MA including:**

- Addiction Services
- Behavioral Counseling
- Cancer Support
- Community Meal Programs
- Disability Resources
- Early Intervention
- Elder Care
- Family Therapy
- Foster Care
- Homelessness Services
- Integrated Health Care

To learn more about our programs please visit [CHD.org](http://CHD.org) or call our central registration office at 1-844-CHD-HELP.

# How are you?

We may say this in passing everyday ... but what if we slowed down a bit and truly listened? When we ask our friends and family "how are you?" we open ourselves to new ways to give them our love and support. CHD has many programs and services to support the emotional well being of children, adults, and families. If you, or someone you know or love, is in need of help or could use someone to talk to, we are always here to listen and offer support.

Visit [chd.org](http://chd.org) or call 844-CHD-HELP.  
How are you? We really want to know.

family therapy • outpatient behavioral counseling • home-based therapies



## Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative

The Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative is a partnership between local, state & federal law enforcement; city & state government; civic & human service organizations; faith based organizations; the business community; education providers; property managers; and residents coming together with a goal to create a safe, healthy & economically viable neighborhoods in Holyoke.



This is a team who cares about your future and wants to do everything we can to ensure you have all the information you need to make the correct choices that will lead to your future success.

One of the goals of the Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative is to identify gaps in service and work as a team to create additional programs and activities.

The Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative also holds monthly Family Fun Nights in Holyoke with a goal of creating safe and fun activities for youth and families. We are always looking for new and fresh ideas; we want to hear from you on what activities interest you, so drop us a line:

Edward Caisse  
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The Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative holds monthly networking meetings on the 2nd Thursday of every month at the Holyoke Public Library at 1:00pm.



The above picture is from our 2017 "Back to School Event" at McNally Field

**Our 2018 Back to School Event will be held on Saturday,  
August 18th from 2pm to 6pm at McNally Field.**

## Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative

### Community Partners:

4H - Youth Development Program  
Adcare Outpatient  
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention  
Apostolic Renewal Church  
Atlas Property Management  
Behavioral Health Network-City Clinic  
Bethany Assembly of God  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hampden County  
Boston Medical Center Health Plan  
Boy Scouts of America  
Boys and Girls Club of Greater Holyoke  
Brightside for Families and Children  
Broderick House/ Margaret's Pantry  
Career Point  
Carlson Recovery Center  
Centro de Restuaracion Emanuel, Inc.  
Children's Museum  
City of Springfield / Office of Housing  
Connections After School Program  
C-Town  
Department of Mental Health  
Department of Children and Families  
Dept. of Early Education and Care  
Department of Transitional Assistance  
Emergency Open Pantry  
Enlace de Familias, Inc.  
foodWorks@ Kate's Kitchen  
Gandara After School Program  
Gandara Community Service Agency  
Gandara—In Home Behavioral Services  
Girls Incorporated of Holyoke  
Girls Scouts of Central and Western Mass  
Grace House  
Greater Holyoke CFCE  
Greater Holyoke YMCA  
Hampden Bank  
Hampden County Sheriff's Department  
Hampden District Attorney's Office  
Hampden Superior Court Probation  
Health New England  
Holyoke Board of Health  
Holyoke Chicopee Springfield Headstart  
Holyoke Community College  
Holyoke District Court  
Holyoke Fire Department  
Holyoke Food and Fitness Policy Council  
Holyoke Housing Authority  
Holyoke Juvenile Court  
Holyoke Mayor's Office  
Holyoke Medical Center  
Holyoke Parks and Recreation  
Holyoke Police Department  
Holyoke Public Library  
Holyoke Rows  
Holyoke School Department  
Holyoke Works  
Holyoke Youth Task Force  
Homework House Inc.  
IBB Holyoke  
Iglesia El Dios Incomparable  
Iglesia Pent. Sol de Justicia  
La Linda Manita  
LightHouse Holyoke  
MA Latino Chamber of Commerce  
Mass Mentoring Partnership  
Mass State Police  
Ministerio Agape  
Morgan Full Service Community School  
Massachusetts Fair Housing

Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (MSPCC)  
Mt. Holyoke Management, LLC  
MYR Program  
New England Farm Workers  
New England Handballers Association Inc  
New Horizons Family Community Center, Inc  
Nueva Esperanza INC  
Office of Planning & Economic Development  
Office of State Representative Aaron Vega  
Olde Holyoke Development Corp.  
Phoenix House / Arbor House  
Picknelly Adult & Family Education Center  
Premiere Staffing Services  
Project-13  
Providence Behavioral Health Hospital  
Providence Ministries Service Network  
Reader to Reader  
Regional Employment Board of Hampden County  
Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corp  
River Valley Counseling Center  
Safe & Successful Youth Initiative of Holyoke  
Sisters of St. Joseph of Springfield  
Sodexo School Services  
Springfield Housing Authority  
Springfield College/School of Professional and Continued Studies  
State Representative Aaron Vega - Holyoke  
Steps to Career Success  
The Food Bank of Western MA  
The Holyoke Council on Aging  
The Salvation Army  
Timothy Hill Christian Camp  
Transformative Culture Project  
United Congregational Church  
United States Attorney's Office  
Valley Opportunity Council  
Virgilio Properties  
Walking With Christ Ministry  
Way Finders  
Western New England University  
Westfield State University  
Westover Job Corps

### Attention:

If you are interested in participating in the Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative or if you need additional information on resources, please see the contact information below:

### Friend request us on Facebook at:

Shsni Holyoke

### For more information contact::

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## Local leaders that the youth could contact at any time

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**Aaron Vega**

State Representative

Vice Chair of Committee on

Children & Families and Persons with Disabilities

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Holyoke Fire Department

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Holyoke, MA 01040

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## Emergency Contact Information

<b>Police Department (Emergency)</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>Police Department (Non-Emergency)</b>	<b>(413) 322-6900</b>
<b>Community Policing Officer</b>	<b>(413) 575-5125</b>
<b>Anonymous Tip Line</b>	<b>(413) 533-8477</b>

## Text-A-Tip

Text-A-Tip is an anonymous way to get crime information to the police. From any cell phone you can send a text, which is totally anonymous.

Along with being anonymous, Text-A-Tip is two-way communication, so you will be able to text back and forth to the police, which will ensure they have all the information they need on a possible crime.

How Text-A-Tip works:

When you send a text to 274637, the first word you must place in the message needs to be solve, because that is the key word for Crime Stoppers in Hampden County.

When you send the text, the telephone identifiers are stripped, so we won't have any idea who is sending the text. You will be assigned an alias code and that is the only thing we see.

### Text-A-Tip

Ayudanos a resolver un  
CRIMEN

Seguridad y anonimato a  
través de nuevos  
servicios de mensajes  
de texto.



Texte la palabra **SOLVE** con  
su mensaje al numero  
**274637**  
en su teléfono celular.

### Text-A-Tip

Help Solve a **CRIME**

It is our new secure &  
anonymous Tip via Text  
Message service.



Text **SOLVE** plus message  
to **274637**  
on your cell phone.

HAMPDEN COUNTY  
CRIME STOPPERS

Special Thanks:

We want to give a special thanks to all of the agencies that make up the Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative and are working together. We believe that working together; we can build a better community...one person at a time.

This booklet is intended to give middle school and high school students an idea of the opportunities that are available to them in Holyoke. There are many ways to get involved in the community or to find outlets that meet your talents and interests. In this guide, we have provided a number of organizations dedicated to direct our young people to positive activities and programs within our community.

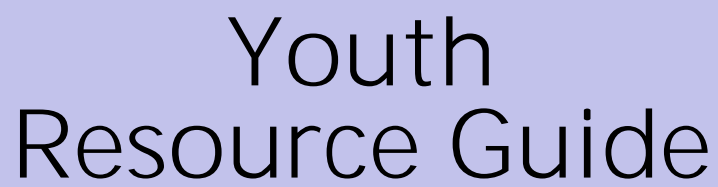
We hope you use this guide to get connected to an organization that you may or may not have known about before or one in which you've always been somewhat interested in. If there is a specific type of organization or program you are interested in, but cannot find the resource information for it, please contact the HSNi website or Facebook page.

Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative Team









**Hampden County Sheriff's Department**