TAYLRD 2.0

DEPARTMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL AND INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

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Change the Future by Acting Early to Improve Life Trajectories
Rationale for Promotion, Prevention & Early Intervention

of those who develop mental health disorders show symptoms by age 14

of mental health conditions develop by age 24
Lowers tolerance for stress which can result in behaviors such as fighting, checking out, or defiance. Learning and memory problems which may be permanent. Distrustful of adults. May result in long-term health problems. Short attention span. Increases stress hormones which can affect body's ability to fight infection. Difficulty making friends and maintaining relationships.
Balancing Risk and Protective Factors & Building Resilience
Transition Age Youth Launching Realized Dreams

TAYLRD Vision
Transition-age youth in Kentucky will be able to easily access a seamless array of high-quality, culturally and developmentally appropriate, youth-driven supports and services that will help them achieve their goals and reach adulthood successfully.

TAYLRD Mission
Transition Age Youth Launching Realized Dreams (TAYLRD) aims to positively impact the lives of Kentucky’s 16-25 year olds who have, or are at-risk of developing, behavioral health challenges by improving access to high-quality, culturally and developmentally appropriate supports and services across the state.
reaching out

to young people and their families
engaging those who need support
supports
that young people want
Youth Drop-In Centers

The Louisville Drop

The Ashland Drop

http://www.taylrd.org/
The Louisville Drop-In Center Recognized

The TAYLRED Louisville Drop-In Center was featured as a best practice model for improving housing and reducing homelessness among youth and young adults in the April issue of Focal Point, a nationally-recognized publication of the Pathways Research and Training Center at Portland State University and conducted a national webinar on their model.

https://www.pathwaysrtc.pdx.edu/focal-point-S1903
Outcomes

Across the state, more than 1900 young people have visited a TAYLRD site

**Louisville Drop-In Center**

- **Homelessness**
  - Number of youth reporting homelessness decreased from 73% to 43% at six months

- **Employment**
  - Overall, 30% moved from unemployed to being employed full or part-time at six months

- **Violence**
  - 31.4% of youth indicated a decrease in exposure to physical violence at six months
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