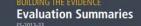
TORONTO YOUTH EQUITYSTRATEGY





Defining the target population





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Youth gangs and gang violence have been an issue within Toronto's socially disadvantaged communities for several decades. Toronto's gang-related deaths peaked in 2003 at 35, and have since ranged between 14 and 30 a year. In 2010, Toronto had the fourth-highest rate of gang-4 homicides per capita of any major Canadian city, Vinnipeg, Vanc

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From Analysis to Action:

A Collective Approach To Eliminate Youth Violence

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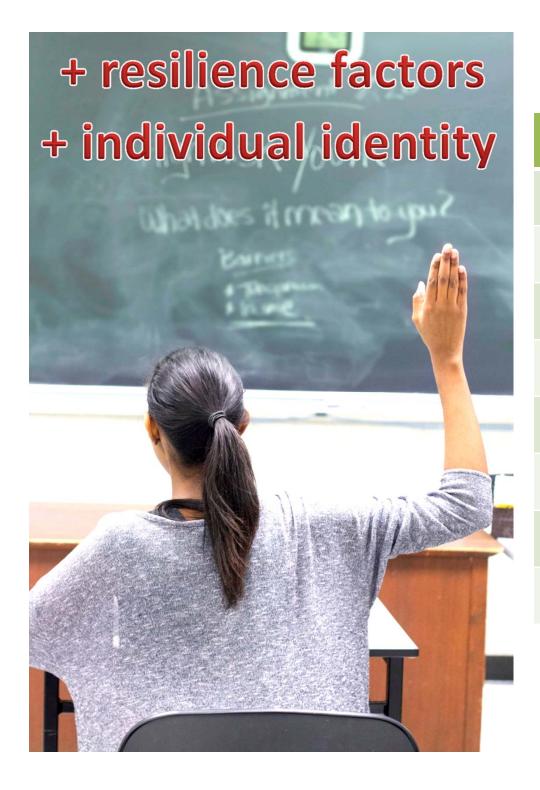


Toronto's Youth Serving System:

Fragmented paths to youth development



Building on existing knowledge



Deep Roots of Youth Violence

Poverty

Racism

Community Design

Education

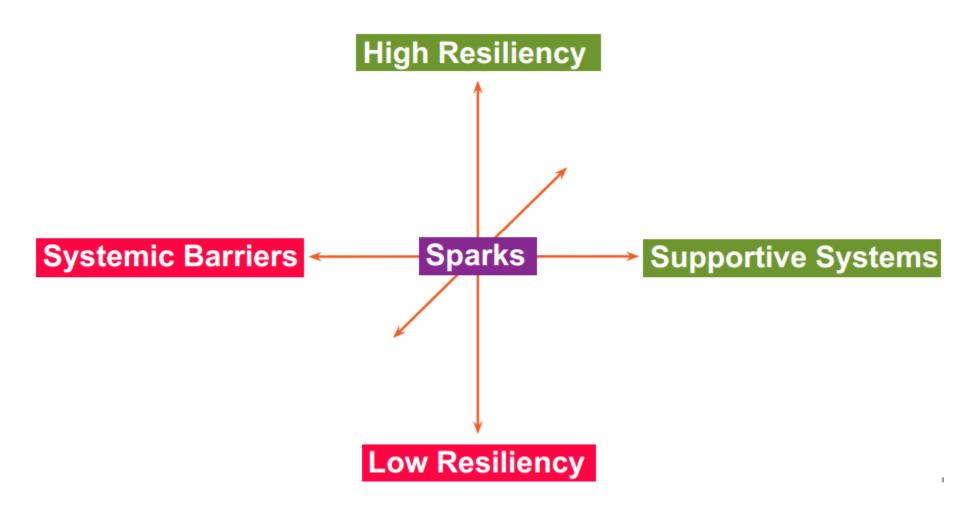
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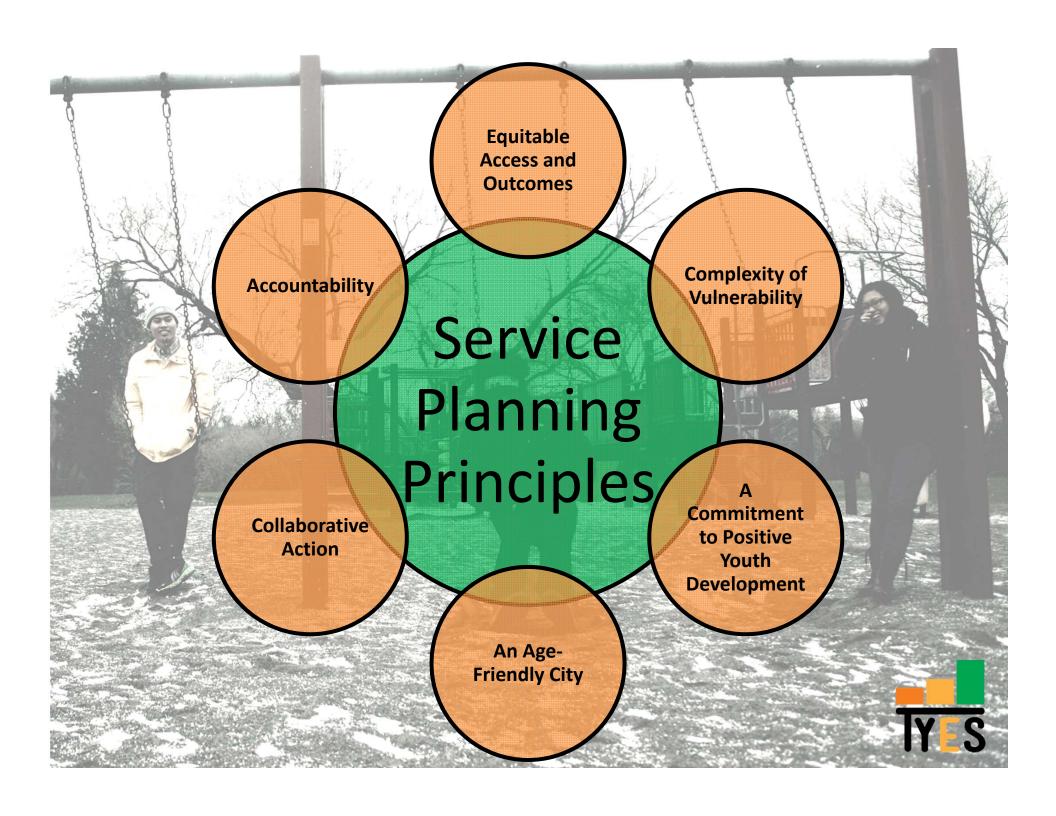
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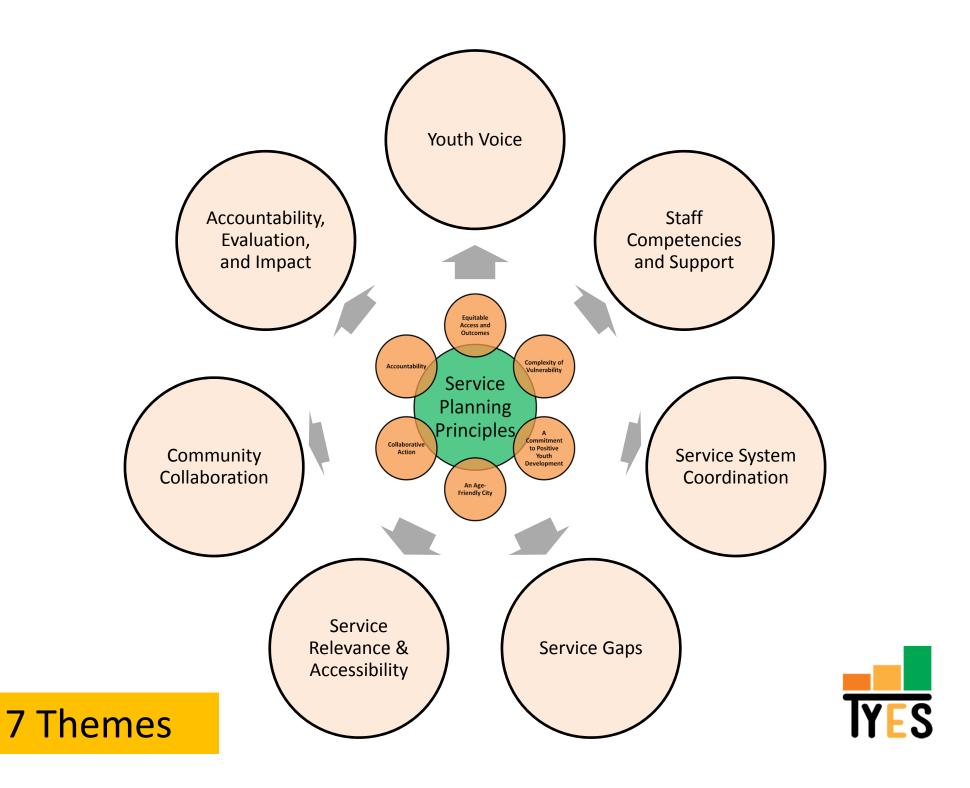
Justice











Each action contains three key elements for accountability and monitoring:

Clearly identified lead program area with responsibility to implement

Timeframe for implementation

Identified progress measure(s) to track the status of each action



5C) TYES Table

Appointed champions from youth-serving program areas. Tasked with coordinating the cross-corporate work and evaluation of the TYES.

6B) Mental health

Toronto Community Housing Post Traumatic Stress Project Pilot

7A) Family support & skills development

Storybook Parents High Risk Youth Pilot

17 B) Alternatives to Criminalization

Pre-charge diversion

11 C) Economic opportunities

High-Engagement Employment Strategy for Youth with Criminal Records

17 A) Alternatives to Criminalization

Restorative justice pilot

21 B) Risk-driven community safety

FOCUS Expansion



Starting Actions

9J)Invest in educational attainment programs inclusive of youth most vulnerable to involvement in serious violence and crime.

9F) Address bullying in schools and the community with a focus on children/youth who are vulnerable to developing antisocial behaviours.

28F) Develop agreements and data systems to collect data on key demographic variables for youth, including youth most vulnerable to involvement in serious violence and crime, to enable the City to plan and develop more effective interventions and monitor progress on areas of action.

9G) Creation of Youth Champion

Appoint a staff person as a youth champion, who will connect with community, funders, youth, and other governments. Youth champion will also be invited to the TYES Table, tasked with coordination of the implementation of the Toronto Youth Equity Strategy.



