

## **Youth Priority of Goals**

**Targeted groups:** In school, out of school, and opportunity youth

**Why should we invest in youth:** The efforts spent on youth, especially at risk and opportunity youth, are a good investment for our future (Develop Mission statement)

### **Leadership Development**

- Communication
- Staff development
- Outcomes/accountability
- Sustainability
- Recruitment and retention of opportunity youth
- Partnerships
- Funding/policy barriers

### **Employability skills/work experience**

- Communication
- Staff development
- Outcomes/accountability
- Sustainability
- Recruitment and retention of opportunity youth
- Partnerships
- Funding/policy barriers

### **Family engagement**

- Communication
- Staff development
- Outcomes/accountability
- Sustainability
- Partnerships
- Funding/policy barriers

**Next steps:** Incorporate best practices and new initiatives from across the state into each of these sections, utilizing the Youth Council Resource Guide as well as other resources. Leverage current Youth Councils for facilitated next steps.