For over 50 years, YST has served Tulsa’s homeless and at-risk youth. By offering programming in four key areas: Runaway and Homeless Services, Counseling, Delinquency Prevention, and Youth Development, we provide youth with a support network and help set them on a path to independence.

YST is the only Tulsa-area non-profit exclusively serving adolescents and young adults and in many cases, we’re the only provider of these services.

YST reaches thousands of youth and their families every year. This would not be possible without the support of the Tulsa-area community and our generous donors. Thank you for all you do!

To donate, text YSTWISH to 918.201.1969.

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Everyone makes mistakes, including youth. It’s a part of growing up and these mistakes shouldn’t ruin a bright future. Partnering with parents, juvenile justice and service providers allows YST to help give youth the second chance they deserve.

A little preemptive education goes a long way, and we offer it through a number of prevention services. By utilizing our Youth Development Programs, young people are set on a path to successful health practices and have an outlet for their self-expression.

YST has been there for me when my family hasn’t. Youth worked to build skills to prevent future court involvement. Counseling plays a role in nearly all YST programs.

“Often, you just need a little help. YST counseling assists youth and their families through the twists and turns of adolescence and helps smooth the transition into adulthood. Counseling plays a role in nearly all YST programs.”

Our Runaway and Homeless services lift youth out of crisis, meet their needs, then sets them on a path to safety, stability and independence.