

ABOUT THE COORDINATOR

The SAFE Streets Street Outreach Program is designed to work with youth who are at risk and in need of services to assist them to transition into a safer lifestyle and environment. Sammy Rangel has been made a notable presence on the Racine area with youth involved in behavior ranging from problems at home, truancy, runaway, survival lifestyle, violence, exploitation, alcohol and other drug abuse, teen pregnancy, criminal activity, ect.

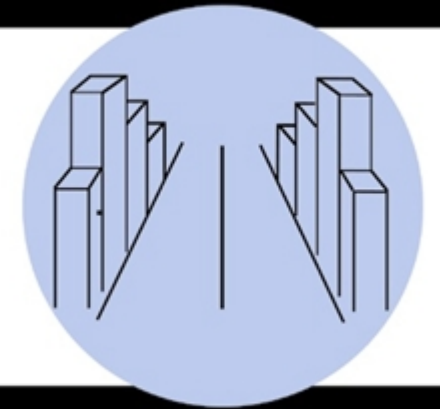
Sammy has been counseling well over ten years. He is a Clinical Substance Abuse Counselor (CSAC), and has an Associates Degree in Human Services. Currently, Sammy is a full time student at Carthage College, majoring in Social Work with a minor in Psychology. He provides trainings for service providers, outreach workers, and other local, state, and national service providers. Sammy is well known in the community for his work and often called upon for his assistance throughout the school district and legal facilities.

COMMUNITY

Presentations by SAFE Streets staff on topics relevant to youth are available at no charge to schools, churches, and civic groups. Topics include education, alcohol and other drug abuse, depression, family relationships, suicide, dating, violence, prevention and gang issues to name a few. To schedule a presentation for your group, school, or event call (262) 880-7677.

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S A F E Streets



STREET OUTREACH

A S A F E Haven Program

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Street Based Services

Crisis Intervention

Survival Aid

Follow Up Support

Information and Referral

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SAFE STREETS PROVIDES

LIFE ON THE STREETS

Children, who runaway from home, or are abandoned, often have a more difficult time than they expect. Finding food, shelter, and a shower can take a lot of time and energy.

These kids have a hard time meeting basic needs, like eating, and that makes them an easy target for fraud, robbery, or exploitation. Living on the streets places our youth, willingly or not, in situations involving predators of all ages and types.

Many become involved with dealing drugs, crime, pornography, survival sex, or teen prostitution. In some cases children have committed suicide, been abducted, or murdered.

Those who do manage to survive on the streets are at risk for sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV/AIDS, pregnancy, suicide, and alcohol or other drug abuse. The loss of self-esteem and self-confidence may deteriorate into feeling of degradation and depression. Without intervention it is the beginning of a very long and desperate journey.

WHAT IS SAFE STREETS?

The primary focus of SAFE Streets is to provide emergency shelter, street based outreach and education, survival aid, assessments, counseling, intervention and follow-up support. SAFE Streets seeks to reach youth on the streets within the school system and the juvenile justice system, as well as on the streets.

Services are provided for youth who are living on the streets, in unsafe environments or other situations that place them at risk for sexual abuse and or exploitation.

SAFE Streets Street Outreach Program provides free information, bus tokens, personal hygiene items (soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, razors, and deodorant), ready to eat meals, medical attention, warm clothing, blankets, flashlights and basic needs essential for survival to youth on the street.

Through SAFE Haven of Racine, Inc and the Youth Shelter, SAFE Streets can help youth find temporary shelter. Trained personal are on duty 24hours a day, 7 days a week.

The goal of SAFE Streets is to help youth get off the street and into a safe shelter. One of the most important elements offered through this program is someone who cares and willing listen to youth in crisis, as well as to provide the resources and tools youth need to make positive decisions about the future and their life.

Street-based Outreach

- Expands existing outreach effort established by Racine Runaway

Assessment

- Talk with youth to learn why they are on the streets

Survival Aid

- Ready to eat meals
- Warm clothing (coat, hats, gloves, scarves) during cold weather
- Medical attention

Emergency Aids

- A free place to live for up to two weeks youth age 10 – 17

Prevention and Education

- Pregnancy prevention HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases.

Information and Referral

- Information specific to street youth Referrals to other services in the community

Crisis Intervention

- Give street based emergency and crisis intervention.

Follow up Support

- Ensure the use of alternative services
- Let youth know outreach services continue to be available.

ALL SERVICES ARE FREE