



FY 2024 OJJDP Mentoring Opportunities for Youth Initiative Grantee Profile

Rogers County Volunteers for Youth

Program Overview and Background

The PAL Program is a site-based mentoring program that matches a Rogers County public school student with a caring adult mentor. The mentor strives to be the student’s friend, role model, motivator, and personal advocate. The mentor’s purpose is to build self-esteem, confidence, and self-worth in the student while building a friendship. Mentors are good listeners, people who care, and people who want to help young people discover their strengths.

Program Services

Program services include: one-on-one and group mentoring, referrals to other services, leadership development, substance use prevention

Target Population

We aim to provide mentoring under this grant to young people with any one or more of the following:

- Juvenile Justice Involvement
- Substance Misuse/Impact

Mentor Recruitment & Training

- 115 mentors recruited under this grant
- For mentor recruitment, we target College Students, Adult Volunteers
- Duration of program services: Minimum of 1 year
- Expected intensity of match contact: 1 hour
- Expected length of a match: Minimum of 1 year
- Expected frequency of match contact: Weekly
- Number of training hours required before a mentor is matched with a youth: 3 hours



Volunteers For Youth

Headquarters in Claremore, OK

Founded in 1998

180 Youth Served

1 Program Location

Grant: JJ FY24 Mentoring: Opioids

Award Number: 15PJDP-24-GG-02588-MENT

Award Amount: \$650,000

Mentoring Model & Structure

- Site-based
- One-to-one, Group, School-based, Combined (Mentee receives both group and 1:1 mentoring)
- Partnering with Substance Abuse Provider, School, Law Enforcement Agency
- Programs focus on Substance Misuse/Impact



Additional Resources

- Rogers County Volunteers for Youth Website: <https://volunteersforyouth.com/>

this data is accurate as of January 2025.

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