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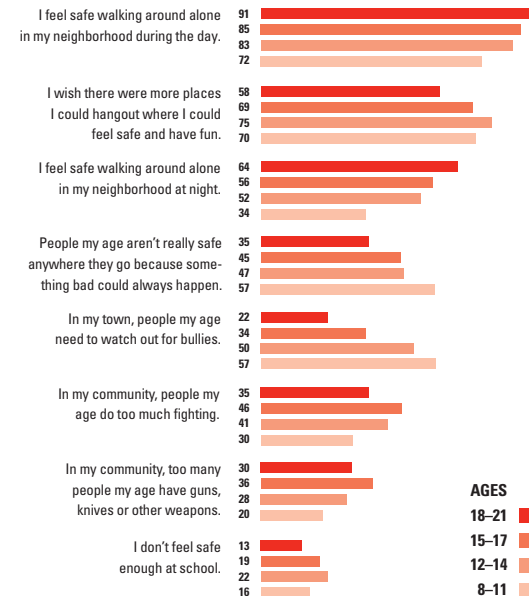
Safe Places Defined

Every child and youth needs and deserves to be physically and emotionally safe everywhere they are – from the actual places of families, schools, neighborhoods and communities to the virtual places of media – and to have an appropriate balance of structured, supervised activities and unstructured, unscheduled time.

- *In the National Promises Study, between one-fourth and one-third of all young people “never” or only “sometimes” feel safe at school and in their communities.**

THE VOICES OF YOUNG PEOPLE: SAFE PLACES

The charts below reveal the percentages of young people who “strongly agreed” or “somewhat agreed” with the following statements:



KEY INDICATORS:

Young people need safe places at home, school and in their communities.

- Safe family
- Parental monitoring
- Safe school
- Safe neighborhood/community
- Safe outdoor play spaces
- Opportunity for involvement in high-quality structured activities
- Opportunity to participate in high-quality structured activities

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Use the “Sharing Your Community Conversation” sheets in the Tool Kit to capture the answers to these questions ...

How is this promise being delivered in Dubuque County? Who is delivering it?

- What groups or individuals are helping to deliver this promise?
- What are some success stories you know about?
- Why is it working?

Where are we falling short as a community in delivering this promise?

- What’s not working?
- Where are the gaps?
- Is there duplication?
- What’s missing in our community?

How can you make a difference? How can you deliver this promise?

- What can you as an individual do?
- What can a group or groups do?
- Who should step up to deliver this promise in our community?

What are the most urgent needs in our community?

- *Dubuque County shows a 15 percent greater incidence of total juvenile arrests and juvenile violent crime than the state average.[†]*
- *Youth in our county report spending six or more hours per day without adult supervision: 19 percent of local sixth graders, 24 percent of local eighth graders and 60 percent of local eleventh graders.[†]*

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