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## **Youth Council recommends \$63,916 for city youth mental health programs**

The **City of Milwaukee Youth Council** has recommended the allocation of \$63,916 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to three agencies that will use the money for initiatives in regard to youth mental health programs.

The allocations were recommended following agency presentations that took place Wednesday, July 8, 2020 during a virtual meeting of the Youth Council. During that meeting, nine agencies presented details about their proposals and answered questions posed by Youth Council members.

The funding recommendations will now go to the Common Council's Community & Economic Development Committee and later to the full Council for a final vote.

The recommendations were:

- \$30,000 to **Wisconsin Community Services** to continue the Credible Messengers Program in working with youth who are involved or at-risk of becoming involved in the juvenile justice system by fostering positive youth justice through health, relationships, education, community, and creativity.
- \$13,916 to the **Silver Spring Neighborhood Center** to continue offering services to hosting trauma informed training sessions for 12-19-year-old youth to learn to cope with the trauma they have experienced.
- \$20,000 to the **Milwaukee LGBT Center** to provide mental health counseling, which is free and LGBT affirming, to 60 youth.

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