

# Youth Opportunity Investments

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## *Youth Opportunity Investments, LLC Announces Major Growth Initiative*

### **New Alliance Created to Achieve Meaningful Outcomes and Treatment to Florida At Risk Youth.**

The State of Florida has been working diligently to provide quality and impactful treatment for adolescents with behavioral, emotional, and substance abuse issues while committed residential facilities.

After achieving successful outcomes through its operational entities for thousands of youth across the country, Youth Opportunity has decided to enter the State of Florida with experienced personnel, representing over 250 years of clinical and

*It is the philosophical and educational integration of shared principles that has brought about an opportunity for Youth Opportunity to expand programs and treatment modalities for youth in the State of Florida.*

management experience, to rapidly expand its treatment model while retaining taxpayer's dollars in the United States. Youth Opportunity Investments owns and operates facilities and campuses in Michigan, Indiana, Tennessee, Texas, and Florida, with an additional state soon becoming part of the Youth Opportunity family. In addition, the company is contracted with the State of Ohio and a Sovereign Nation for youth services and treatment programs.

The Chief Executive Officer of Youth Opportunity stated "the market timing is favorable in Florida as the number of qualified providers are becoming harder to find as companies elect to sell or simply do not have a large enough platform in all or most of the treatment modalities that are in such great need for the youth of the state.

"If 20 million people were infected by a virus that caused anxiety, impulsivity, aggression, sleep problems, depression, respiratory and heart problems, vulnerability to substance abuse, antisocial and criminal behavior, retardation and school failure, we would consider it an urgent public health crisis. Yet, in the United States alone, there are more than 20 million abused, neglected and traumatized children vulnerable to these problems. Our society has yet to recognize this epidemic, let alone develop an immunization strategy."

- Bruce D. Perry, M.D.,  
Ph.D.  
Founder and Senior  
Fellow of Child  
Trauma Academy



## *Services that Produce Life Changing Outcomes*

### **A Comprehensive Approach**

Effective treatment programming for youth must address the emotional, cognitive, and social roots of their behavioral issues. Youth Opportunity is one of the few secure and residential treatment organizations capable of offering a complete Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT) treatment program designed specifically for adolescents.

DBT is an innovative treatment method developed specifically to treat difficult clients in a way which is optimistic and preserves the morale of the therapist and the client. Research findings suggest DBT is successful in reducing acting-out behavior, self-injury, and in-patient treatment time. Through thorough and clinically sophisticated diagnostic services, DBT, individual, family, and group

therapy, Anger Management, Social/Independent Living Skills Program, and a number of other programs and treatment modalities, Youth Opportunity results oriented model provides youth and their Families with long-term and impactful solutions.

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### ***Leadership at Work for Youth in Florida***

Across our program and operational leadership team, YOI/YOA is represented by a total of nearly 250 years working within social service and juvenile treatment settings. This team represents a lifetime of dedication and service to better outcomes for youth and families. Having a team such as ours that has dedicated no less than a decade each to quality and innovative programming that truly makes a difference, means that we have seen among many things, the least and most effective solutions, the best and the worst in personnel, the left and right of the paradigm shifts, and the good and the bad of “policy changes”. What we have come to understand through our deep experience is that changing youths’ lives is most possible when we leverage research and evidence, apply methodology, implement with fidelity, and pair it with passionate and well-trained staff.

Our experience has led us to develop our fundamental philosophies and approaches to the population we serve.



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*Committed to Positive Youth Outcomes and Family Engagement*

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