



# TNOYS

TEXAS NETWORK OF  
YOUTH SERVICES

THEIR FUTURE IS OUR BUSINESS.



# TNOYS Approach to Understanding and Addressing Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Youth (CSEY)



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## TNOYS' Mission

The mission of TNOYS is to strengthen services and support for Texas youth and families to help them overcome challenges and achieve healthy development.

# Our work is guided by a comprehensive **systems-change** approach





## Membership at a Glance

- Over **80 Organizational Members** serving youth, young adults, and families in **every Texas region**.
- A diverse range of individual members, including frontline staff.
- Representation across systems such as **education, child welfare, housing, and much more.**

# Our Member Network

## Regions:

- North - 15
- South - 7
- Central - 13
- East - 18
- West - 8

## Systems Representation:

- Housing & Homelessness - 33
- Child Welfare - 29
- Health and Behavioral Health - 29
- Education - 18
- Justice - 14
- CSEY and Survivor Services - 7
- Higher Education/ Workforce - 15



# Policy

We work with youth and providers on **research-driven** policy advocacy.

## Past Win

First-ever line item in the state budget to serve youth and young adults experiencing homelessness.

## Looking Ahead

TNOYS will release a policy agenda for the 89th Texas Legislative Session, guided by input from listening to and learning from youth, young adults, and stakeholders.







## Practice

TNOYS equips professionals with skills and resources to meet the complex needs of youth and families.

## Past Win

Provided professional development to thousands of youth services professionals across Texas.

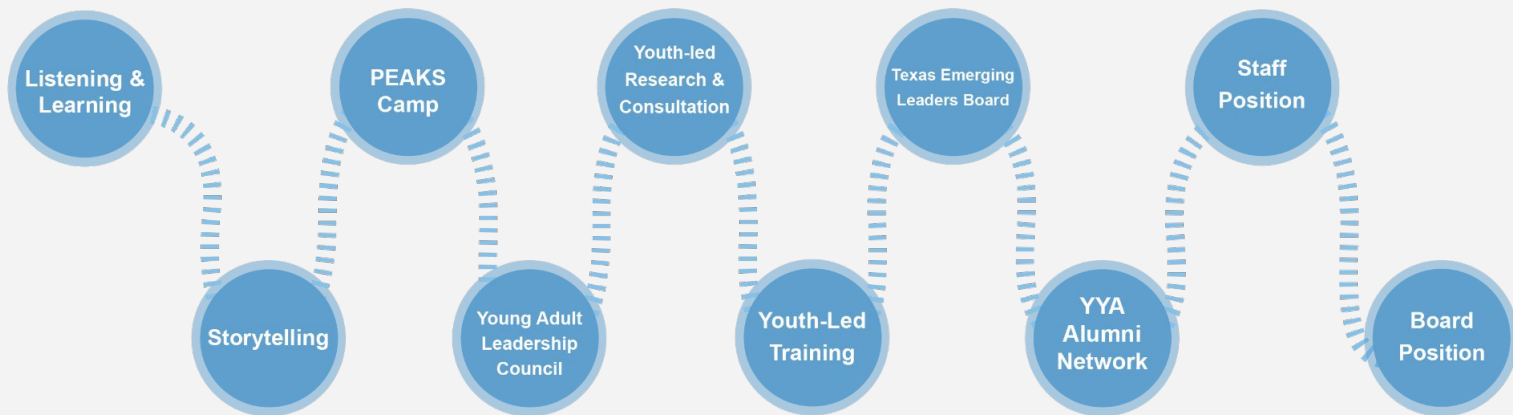
## Looking Ahead

TNOYS is launching our new Blueprint for Youth Engagement (BYEn) training series.

# Partnership

TNOYS **centers youth and provider voice** in everything we do. TNOYS offers many opportunities for youth to engage in our work in both big and small ways.

## TNOYS' Youth Engagement Roadmap



# Young Adult Leadership Council (YALC)

The YALC engages youth and young adults by elevating their stories and lived expertise.

The YALC is a 12-month leadership development program for youth and young adults from across Texas.



# Youth-Led Research and Consultation

## *Amplifying & Leveraging YYA Expertise*

- TNOYS uses the Youth Participatory Action Research (YPAR) Model to amplify & leverage YYA expertise
- Youth and young adults also provide consulting services by participating as lived experts on panels and workgroups through TNOYS and our partners

### Upcoming

- Listening sessions for juvenile justice involved youth and their caregivers
- YYA and provider listening sessions and surveys on youth homelessness and coordinated entry systems

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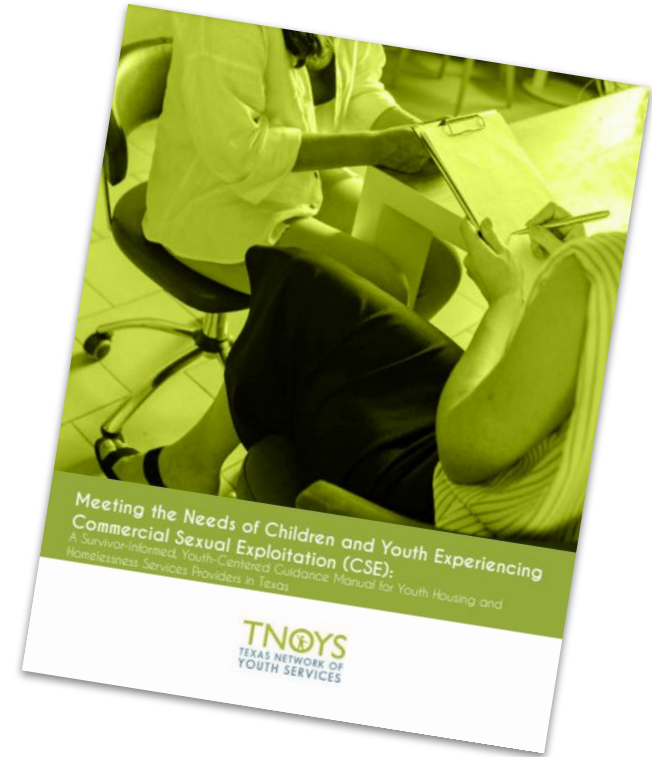
- Trainings on CSEY:
  - CSE-IT User Training
  - Breaking Down Barriers: CSEY, LGBTQ+ Youth, and Youth Homelessness
  - Debunking Myths of Human Trafficking to Create Survivor-Centered Services
- Capacity Building - Survivor-led youth Boards
- Publications
- Online CSEY Resource Center



# CSE Manual for Youth Housing and Homelessness Services Providers

TNOYS developed a manual for youth housing and homelessness services providers with specific guidance on meeting the needs of children and youth experiencing (or at risk of) commercial sexual exploitation (CSE).

**TNOYS is available to provide training and technical assistance to support your organization with implementing these recommendations!**



# High Impact Youth Engagement Strategies Whitepaper

TNOYS developed a whitepaper based on additional assessments of youth engagement and survivor-informed practices among youth housing and homelessness service providers. This resource offers specific guidance on effectively supporting and engaging youth experiencing (or at risk of) commercial sexual exploitation (CSE).

**TNOYS is available to provide training and technical assistance to support your organization with implementing these recommendations!**





# Upcoming Opportunities

# Improve Your Skills with our CSE-IT User Training Series

The **Commercial Sexual Exploitation-Identification Tool (CSE-IT)** a research-based screening tool that helps improve early identification of **commercially sexually exploited youth (CSEY)**. Our trainings on this tool are appropriate for any provider serving youth, including:

- child welfare workers
- probation officers
- mental health clinicians
- first responders

Earn 3.5 CEUs upon completion!

## Upcoming Training Dates:

- 2/26, 4/24, 7/10, 8/14, 9/25

Visit [tnoys.org/events/](https://tnoys.org/events/) for info on the next session!



# Join Us for TNOYS Day of Action for Youth!

**Register by February 24th, 2025:**

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at the Texas Capitol

Join our dynamic event where youth, young adults, and members to join together to learn about and advocate for TNOYS' policy and budget priorities, meet with policymakers who represent them, and experience advocacy in action.

Visit [www.tfaforms.com/5147589](http://www.tfaforms.com/5147589) for more info!



# Training & TA Resources

- Blueprint for Youth Engagement Training Series
- Regional Capacity Building Meetings
- Statewide Survey on Coordinated Entry with YYA and providers
- Provider Interviews on Collaboration and Technical Assistance in Response to youth experiencing homelessness

Visit <https://tnoys.org/subscribe> to receive our Newsletter with these opportunities and more!



# Upcoming YYA Engagement Opportunities

- 2025 TELB Cohort onboards soon
- PEAKS Camp 2025: March 10 - 16
- Upcoming listening & learning session with youth and young adults



# SAVE THE DATE: TNOYS' 42nd Annual Conference

June 10-13 2025

**Join nearly 500 attendees from across youth services!**

- 40+ workshops led by professionals and young people
- Inspiring keynote speakers
- Networking with professionals from across youth services

If you have questions, please email us at [annualconference@tnoys.org](mailto:annualconference@tnoys.org).

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