



President's Report

April 29, 2026

Summary Observations

- The funding environment remains extremely constrained, significantly impacting youth-serving organizations across Indianapolis—with some organizations closing operations.
- Demand for services continues to rise, including a record number of teens seeking employment opportunities.

Operational Updates

- Lease dispute has been resolved. MCCOY will pay for the 2025 HVAC system, amortized over 15 years or the remaining lease term (whichever is shorter).
- Current lease term ends May 2030.
 - Recommendation: Begin assessing competitiveness of this lease against alternative options in the Indianapolis market prior to renewal decisions.

Strategic Planning

- A public-facing dashboard is being added to the MCCOY website to track high-level youth and youth-worker wellness indicators.
- Internal operational dashboards are in development, with a goal of establishing baseline metrics by year-end.

Financial Update

- Organization is on track with budget year-to-date.
- Closely monitoring expenses due to uncertainty surrounding MYLC funding included in the current budget.
 - Financial adjustments will be made in advance of the current grant ending (May 2026).
- Audit exit interview was successful; Finance Committee review scheduled for May.

Fundraising Update

New funding

- Pacers Sports & Entertainment / Anthem BCBS – *Fever Confidence*
 - \$20,000 secured for current cohort

Active Pipeline

- Lilly Endowment – Mayor's Youth Leadership Council (2-year renewal at prior funding level)



- Submitted; decision expected late June/early July
- Impact 100 Indianapolis – *The Resilience Project*
 - Site visit completed (April 17); finalist selection pending
 - Potential \$100,000 award
- NBA Foundation – \$120,000 – *Fever Confidence*
 - Submitted; pending
- Indianapolis Foundation – Program tbd – either JAC or The Resilience Project
 - Application due May 15

Declined

- Colts Kicking the Stigma – \$25,000 request for *The Resilience Project*

PROGRAM UPDATES

Advocacy

- Update to be provided by Sarah Kumfer.
- White paper series in development.
- Summer intern hired to support voter education and research efforts.

Fever Confidence

- Upcoming events: May 9 (opening home game) and May 16
- Program celebration scheduled for June
- Recruitment timeline shifting earlier to better align with the WNBA season

Early Intervention Planning Council (EIPC)

- Revised ordinance submitted to City-County Council for approval

T.R.A.P. (Glick Project)

- No major updates; contract renewal in progress

Juvenile Advisory Council (JAC)

- “Summit” with justice leaders rescheduled for May
- Due to loss of funding, program will be paused following the May meeting
 - Will maintain readiness to relaunch pending new funding

Mayor’s Youth Leadership Council (MYLC)

- End-of-program celebration: May 17
- Proposed program model refined in partnership with the Mayor’s Office to strengthen alignment with original mission



- 2-year renewal grant submitted; decision expected late June/early July

The Resilience Project

- Expansion continues within existing resources:
 - Warren Township: expansion to all 6th grade classrooms
 - Pike Township: expansion to additional schools (grades 2–3) and addition of grades 4–5 at Guion Creek Elementary
- Future growth contingent on new funding (Possible: Impact 100; The Indianapolis Foundation)

Summer Youth Program Fund (SYPF)

- Supporting 286 programs (up from 271 in 2025)

Key Milestones:

- Director Mixer (April 9): 70 organizations represented; strong feedback on new programming
- New learning management platform launching with expanded training tracks
- New advertising campaign live
- Youth Working for Indy (YWFI):
 - 20 organizations funded: \$100,000 total (down from \$125,000 in 2025)
 - Over 25 additional organizations declined, representing ~\$350,000 in unmet demand
- Rookie Boot Camps and CPR trainings nearly fully subscribed

Youth Activity Directory

- Available online; printed directories currently being distributed

Youth Worker Well-Being Project

- RFP released for consultant to support managing committee and development of a 2027 grant proposal

Marion County Youth Violence Coalition

- MCCOY continues as fiscal sponsor for the Mental Health America Vitality grant through June 2026

Closing Note

The combination of increased demand and reduced funding is placing significant strain on the youth-serving ecosystem. MCCOY remains focused on maintaining core infrastructure, supporting providers, and positioning key programs for sustainability and future growth.