

Youth in Transition Grant Article
Franklin and Grand Isle Counties
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Northwestern Counseling and Support Services is pleased to announce that Ebony Vernice Nyoni has been hired as the Youth in Transition (YIT) Grant Coordinator for Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. Ebony's start date was April 19th, 2010 and she has undertaken the task of creating a bridge between providers, youth and the community. Ebony has begun outreach efforts in our local areas. On June 4th 2010 Ebony will be hosting a Youth Community Meeting/BBQ featuring a guest poetry speaker from NYC. This event is planned for June 4th 2010 to introduce the grant to the region and begin to identify youth workers. Ebony has several other initiatives planned in the upcoming months including:

Eat and Blog – A mobile internet café on wheels!

Street Outreach- Connecting homeless and runaway youth to services while tending to their immediate basic needs.

Youth Leadership team - Develop leadership skills through non-traditional speaker series, youth forums, groups, community outreach and youth facilitated leadership curriculum. Youth will serve as official youth representatives and respected voices in their communities.

Other events include youth summit, hosting the HighLow Project, annual dinner and conference.

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