

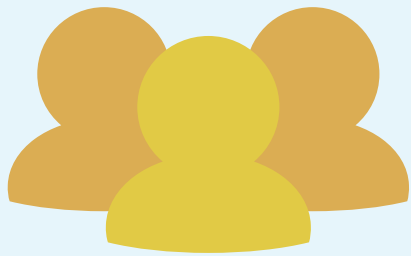
# EMERGING IDEAS

## KGO Youth Data Knowledge Exchange

These ideas were generated among 40+ people from youth-serving organizations, community groups, institutions & grassroots leaders who gathered at a knowledge exchange event in March 2019 to discuss how to better support youth in KGO, informed by local research data.

This document offers a starting point for continued conversations on helping youth thrive in KGO!

### Ideas for strengthening community outreach



- Put **relationships with youth** first
- Use **social media** thoughtfully and intentionally
- **Stay connected to others who support youth** to share information, learn, and strategize
- **Involve youth in leading outreach**
- **Engage parents** in a variety of ways
- **Meet youth where they're at** (especially those who aren't already engaged)

### Ideas for working better together

- Strengthening **school/community connections**
- **Improving referral processes** between programs/services
- Tapping into **existing community networks**: who are local knowledge holders and connectors?
- Building on **strong relationships between youth and outreach workers**
- Strengthening our **understanding of Indigenous cultures, histories, and practices**
- Utilizing the **hub service delivery model**



### Ideas for small changes you can make in your work right now

What's your 15%?"

- Find ways to **measure** the impact of your work
- Continuously **reflect and re-evaluate**
- Help youth understand their **options for post-secondary**
- **Learn more about who does what** in the community
- Challenge assumptions: **youth are active agents**, not just service recipients
- **Share data** in more accessible ways