

# VULNERABLE POPULATION

Serving Youth up to 21 years old

- In 2019, **18,853 youth** were homeless in Wisconsin (U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness)
- The National Incidence Studies of Missing, Abducted, Runaway and Throwing (NISMART) Children, estimate that **1.6 million children** run away from home each year in the United States
- The most common ages of youth on the run and unaccompanied are **13yrs and 17yrs** (National Incidence Studies of Missing, Abducted, Runaway and Throwing Children)
- Running away from home **once** decreases the likelihood that a youth will graduate from high school by **10%** (Aratani & Cooper, 2015)
- At least **100,000 CHILDREN** are used in sex trafficking every year in the United States (National Report on DMST 2010, Shared Hope).
- The most common age of entry into commercial sex industry is **between 12-14yrs** (US Department of Justice).



Boys & Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley, Menasha

# THINKING OF RUNNING?

- Can you talk it out and stay at home?
- Are you safe at home?
- Can you go to a friend or relative to cool off?
- Do you know your community's resources?

>Find them on our Street-Smart Cards!

<https://www.bgclubfoxvalley.org/homebase/>

- National Runaway Hotline  
**1-800-RUNAWAY Text 66008**
- Boys & Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley  
HOME BASE Hotline  
**(920)-731-0557 Text or Call**



**HOME BASE**  
600 Racine Street Menasha, WI 54952  
**Hotline (920)-731-0557 \*Call & Text**  
920-750-5822 (Services & Care Package)



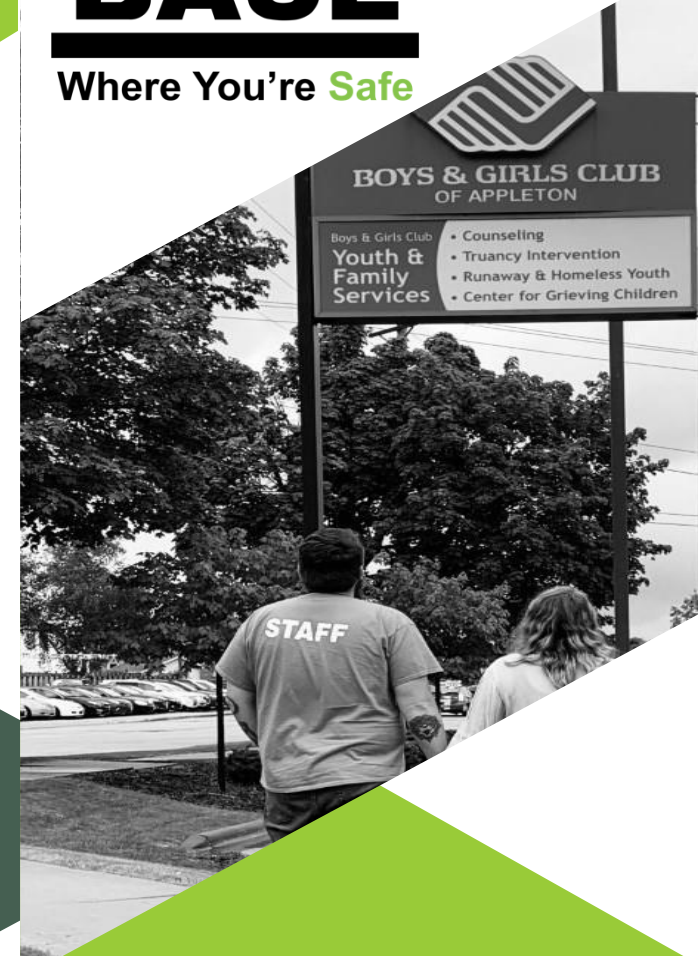
**Boys & Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley**  
160 S. Badger Avenue Appleton WI 54914. (920)- 731-0555



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Where You're Safe



**Boys & Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley**  
**Home Base 24-HOUR HOTLINE**  
**(920)-731-0557**  
**FREE & CONFIDENTIAL**  
**Call or Text**

# AVAILABLE SERVICES

## CASE MANAGEMENT

- Family mediation
- 1:1 Youth meetings
- Short-term crisis counseling
- Referrals to community resources

## STREET OUTREACH

- Developing relationships and connecting to resources and services
- Visible community presence & survival aid

## CRISIS INTERVENTION

- Crisis counseling
- 24-HR HOTLINE (920)-731-0557
- Emergency shelter/temporary Host Homes: 17 years old and under
- Assistance & support in connecting w available area shelters: 18 years old+

## CARE PACKAGES

- Items available for youth and families in need
- Can include hygiene products, cleaning supplies, household items & non-perishable foods

\*Items supplied by donations

## PREVENTION

- Youth Wellness Groups
- Prevention and Awareness Education for school/community

"It was really good at explaining everything and helped me to better understand all of the concepts explained. It shed light on some hard topics and informed me and helped me learn what to do if in those situations."

-AASD High School Student on Prevention Ed

# YOUTH ON THE MOVE

## November is National Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention Month

"Youth on the Move" is an annual event put on by Home Base to raise awareness within the community and provide services, support, and resources for young people and families who may be at-risk for or experiencing issues of running away or homelessness.

Home Base partners with the Appleton Public Library, the Appleton Police Department, the City of Appleton, and the Trout Museum of Art, and many other local businesses, to spread awareness of these issues within the community and to identify safe agencies, locations and services for youth and family.

Check out our website to see past events!

<https://www.bgclubfoxvalley.org/youth-on-the-move/>



# ADVOCACY AND SUPPORT

**Boys & Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley Mission:**  
To inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens.

Each year thousands of youth run away from the home, are asked to leave their home, or experience homelessness with their families. Home Base supports and provides voluntary services at **NO COST** to youth and families in the Outagamie, Winnebago, and Calumet County areas.

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"Thank you for all you did and continue to do for [our youth]! You are his person...his hero!!!"  
-Collaborative Service Provider

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Services:

- Case Management & Advocacy
- Crisis Counseling & Family Mediation
- Safety Planning & Risk Management
- Care Packages & Emergency Food items
- Connection to services (Warm Handoff)
- Temporary Shelter and Host Homes
- Prevention Education & Awareness
- Street Outreach in the community

Community Partners:

- AmeriCorps
- Foundations Health & Wholeness (Host Homes)
- House of Hope, Green Bay (Shelter Services)
- City of Appleton
- Area School Districts
- Local and County Law Enforcement