STRONGER SYSTEMS. STRONGER YOUTH. FY 2023-2028 Strategic Plan





The Forum envisions a world in which...

All young people reach their fullest potential – in education, work, and life



The three strategic goals will work together to enable the Forum to achieve greater impact in the youth development field

Leader and Practitioner

Capacity

Systems

Shape Policy

mutually reinforce each other



In the next five years, the Forum will refine its focus to activate the strategic goals



The strategic goals will inform outputs and outcomes that help achieve the Forum's vision in its theory of change

Strategic Goals & Sub-Activities		Outputs	Outcomes	
			First Level	Second Level
Improving program quality in youth development systems	Assess, plan, and improve youth development program quality through continuous quality improvement tools, resources, and frameworks	High-quality, tailored tools to improve youth development programs	Youth development programs know how they are performing and where to improve	High-quality programs that support positive youth development and uphold communities
	 Leverage data assets and measurement & evaluation frameworks to advance a youth development approach within and across systems 			
Designing, building, and implementing capacity-building initiatives for system leaders and practitioners	Provide consultation, training, and technical assistance to system leaders and practitioners on improving systems and programs	Capacity building support for youth development system leaders and practitioners	System leaders know what reforms to implement and how to enact change and youth development practitioners know what practices to implement and how to implement them	Prepared and empowered system leaders and practitioners across the field that address the needs of all youth including youth of color
	 Shape and strengthen youth development ecosystems to co-design innovative solutions that support positive youth development 			
Convening the youth development ecosystem to shape policy	Convene stakeholders and engage youth and their families to facilitate shared learnings and identify policy gaps	Convenings organized and relationships built to engage stakeholders	 Youth, families, and practitioners work together to achieve collective impact and policymakers know what policy changes are needed 	 Federal and state policies, legislation, and ecosystems that strengthen youth and communities
	Build relationships and promote opportunities to advance a youth policy agenda			

Our Vision: A world where all young people reach their fullest potential - in education, work, and life