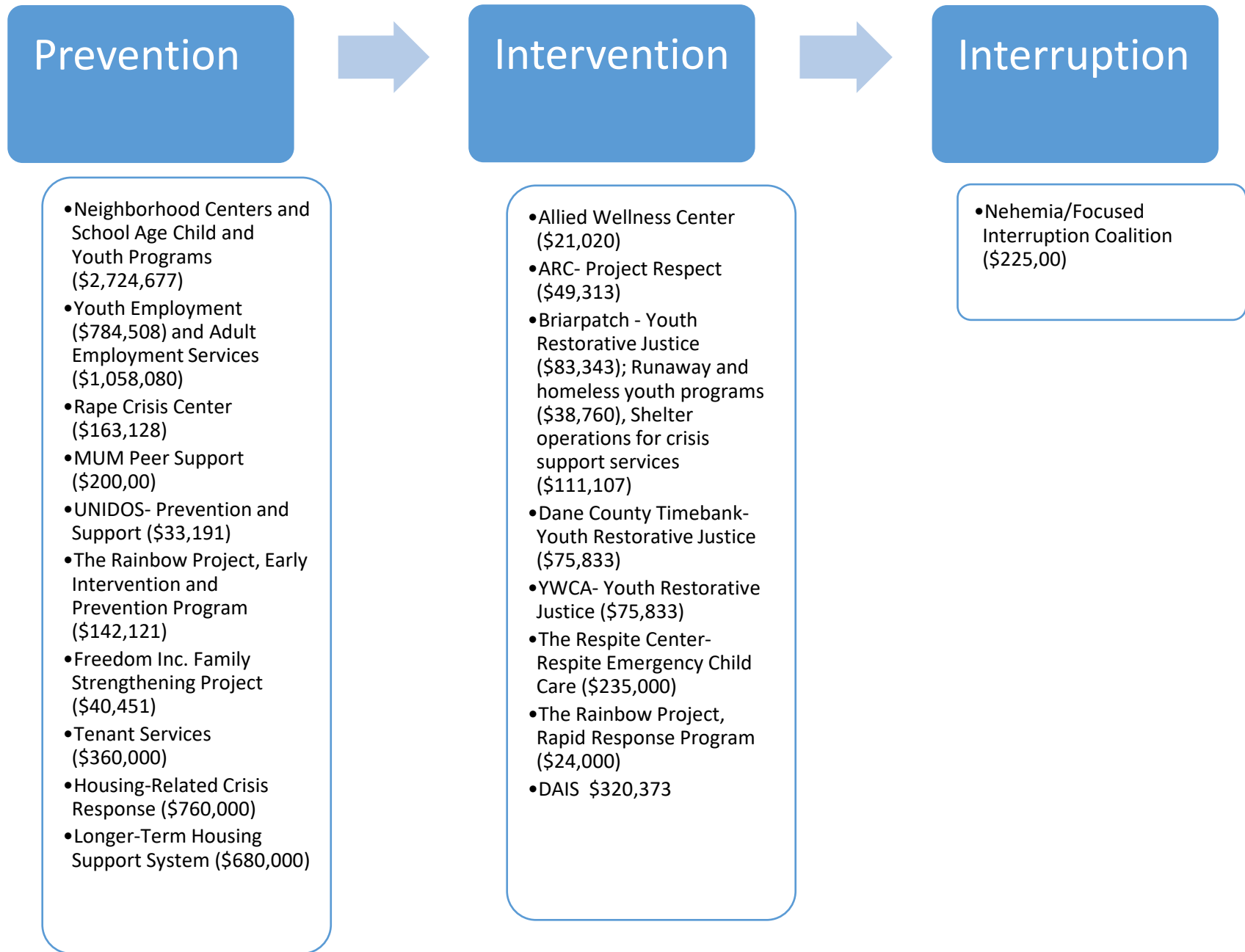


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Overview:

The City's Community Development Division (CDD) funds numerous agencies whose work contributes to the prevention, intervention, and interruption of violence. Although programs and contracts funded by the CDD do not always fit neatly into the suggested categories, we have tried to assign them where we think they most closely match. In addition to information on specific contracts and agencies listed below, the CDD also invests in groups of contracts (such as neighborhood centers, youth and adult employment, and school-age child and youth programs). The individual programs within these contract groupings are numerous so we provide only the total funding for each area to provide some sense that they play a role in impacting violence in the community. Note that the federal "Community Building Crime Reduction" (CBCR) grant, which is administered by the Madison Police Department with support from CDD, is not included in this overview.

Violence Prevention:

City Funded Neighborhood Centers and School Age Child and Youth Programming: All city-funded neighborhood centers provide programming to build and support communities and provide social-emotional learning for children and youth. In addition to the child and youth programming at city-funded neighborhood centers, the CDD also funds six additional agencies to provide child and youth programming to targeted areas and communities in the City. In total the CDD provides \$2,724,677 to a network of 15 neighborhood centers (includes both center support and school age programming) and to six additional agencies running child and youth programs.

Youth and Adult Employment Services: The CDD funds a number of agencies to provide youth and adult employment services. The City strives to fund an employment continuum, providing training and opportunities for children and youth as well as adults. The CDD provide \$784,508 for youth employment and \$1,058,080 for Adult Employment Services.

Rape Crisis Center (RCC): RCC receives \$163,128 from the CDD to provide intervention with two 24-hour crisis lines – one in English and one in Spanish. RCC also provides on call staff to respond and provide support and advocacy to victims of sexual assault. RCC works closely with MPD and Madison area hospitals.

The Rainbow Project: The Rainbow Project receives funding for two programs. The first program related to violence prevention is called Early Intervention and Prevention. This program receives \$142,121 per year, with a total program budget of \$520,148. Many of its services are Medicaid-reimbursable, so much of the program budget comes from that source. This program provides specialized early intervention and trauma-literate mental health services for children who have: 1) experienced child sexual abuse, child abuse/neglect or domestic abuse, or 2) have been affected by mental illness, developmental delays or disability, isolation, family history or abuse/neglect, alcohol/drug abuse, poverty, unemployment, incarceration, divorce, parent/child separation or loss, chronic physical illness or 3) special problems in social-emotional development and behavior and difficulty adjusting in regular child care/school setting or 4) significant problems in parent-child relationships. These preventative services are known to stabilize children and families and serve as prevention for future trauma or violence. The second program is described below under "violence intervention".

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Madison-area Urban Ministries (MUM)/Just Dane: MUM receives \$200,000 from the CDD to provide individual prevention and supportive services to those reentering the community upon their release from prison or jail.

UNIDOS Against Domestic Violence: UNIDOS receives \$33,191 from the CDD to provide preventative education to the Latinx Spanish speaking community and support services to Latinx individuals and families who are survivors/victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking.

Freedom Inc.: Freedom Inc. receives \$40,451 from the CDD to provide preventative education to the Southeast Asian community and support services to Southeast Asian individuals/families who are survivors/victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking.

Tenant Services: Through non-profit agencies, CDD provides \$360,000 to support housing counseling and eviction prevention initiatives. Funded agencies provide information about tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities; work to resolve issues through negotiation, mediation or legal avenues for tenants; and can provide financial assistance in eligible situations. These activities can include legal representation at court if a household is facing eviction.

Housing-Related Crisis Response: In collaboration with the Dane County Continuum of Care, CDD provides \$760,000 to support activities that strive to make homelessness a rare, brief and non-recurring event. These services includes street outreach, day and night shelter operations and case management. Housing instability can increase the risk of violence; the goal of these programs is to connect persons experiencing homelessness to the setting, based on their strengths and needs, in which they will have the greatest prospects for positive outcomes.

Longer-Term Housing Support: Permanent stable housing is a key component to reducing violence and that housing should have a linkage to the proper support systems that households may need. CDD provides \$680,000 of funding to non-profit housing providers to help pay for case management services to tenants who have experienced homelessness. Depending on the program, these services can last 24 months or more.

Violence Intervention:

Allied Wellness Center: The CDD provides \$21,020 to support the work of the Allied Wellness Center. The Center efforts promote health and wellness of the mind, body and spirit of people living in the Allied, Belmar and Dunn's Marsh neighborhoods.

ARC Project Respect: Project Respect receives \$49,313 from the CDD to respond to and work with community and police to assist victims and survivors of human trafficking.

Briarpatch: Briarpatch's Restorative Justice Program receives \$83,343 from the CDD. Briarpatch offers an alternative to the traditional juvenile justice system by offering eligible youth an opportunity to enter into an individually tailored restorative justice agreement in lieu of being assessed a fine through the municipal court. The Restorative Justice Program focuses on youth who have received a restorative justice referral from local law enforcement or were referred to municipal court for ordinance violations such as retail theft, damage to property, truancy,

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battery, or disorderly conduct. The Restorative Justice Program also hears status offenses such as citations issued for curfew violations and underage drinking tickets. If youth choose to participate in this process and complete their restorative justice agreement, they are successfully diverted from the juvenile justice system. Youth volunteers between the ages of 12 and 18, who live in surrounding communities are trained to serve as volunteer jurors.

Dane County TimeBank: The Dane County Timebank receives \$33,333 from the CDD. The Dane County Timebank is committed to facilitating exchanges and coordinating projects through a racial and restorative justice lens. Timebanks are grassroots, DIY exchange networks. They are social safety nets that build our support systems, reduce social isolation, and bring people together. Timebanks are neighbors helping neighbors.

The Respite Center: CDD contributes \$235,000 per year to the Respite Center's \$693,570 total budget. The Respite Center provides emergency and planned child care to children ages 0-14, 7 days per week. In addition to child care services, the Respite Center supports families and caregivers by providing information and referrals for other community resources and programs, as well as short-term crisis support and counseling in times of high stress and emergencies. Services are provided to parents/caregivers who are in transition or crisis, have limited family/social support, are isolated and lack basic needs; have a short term child care need to find housing, employment, attend legal/medical appointments, and/or have a physical, emotional, or behavioral concern that threatens to interfere with his/her functioning as a parent. Parents utilize the respite center to allow for a break from the stressors of parenting that could lead to family violence. Note: due to COVID, the Respite Center's hours are slightly reduced and they are only serving one family at a time to mitigate the risk of spreading COVID.

The Rainbow Project: CDD contracts with The Rainbow Project for two programs that relate to violence prevention or response, the first is listed under prevention. The second program, the Rapid Response program is funded at \$14,000 annually and allows The Rainbow Project to provide immediate response and support for children and families involved in community violence/trauma crisis situations through crisis support/trauma screening as well as referral & follow up to ensure stabilization for children/families. This funds approximately 100 hours per year and 4 community trainings on this topic. The total program budget (all funding) is \$24,000/year.

YWCA: YWCA Madison receives \$75,833 from the CDD. YWCA uses restorative justice to address the school-to-prison pipeline. The school-to-prison pipeline describes a pattern of criminalization of K-12 students linked to decreased graduation rates and increased likelihood of future involvement with the criminal justice system. Students of color, LGBTQ students, and students with disabilities are disproportionately impacted.

Domestic Abuse Intervention Services (DAIS): DAIS receives \$320,373 from the CDD to provide emergency shelter for individual and family victims of domestic violence.

Violence Interruption:

Nehemiah/Focused Interruption Coalition (FIC): FIC receives \$225,000 from the CDD to provide Crisis Response Services to persons who have recently experienced an act(s) of violence or been associated with an act of violence not related to DV or SA. Acts of violence may include but

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are not limited to gun violence, retaliatory violence, and other weapon violence. FIC through a subcontract with Nehemiah, will provide crisis peer support primarily to those who are determined, through a standardized evaluation, to be at a moderate to high risk of engaging in future violent or criminal behavior. FIC also receives referrals through MPD and UW hospital.