

Department of Recreation and Youth Services (DRYS)

Mission Statements

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The Department of Recreation and Youth Services supports the City of Rochester's *One City Vision Statement and its Values and Guiding Principles* through the administration of programs, social activities and support services. The activities are carried out with a focus on customer service excellence.

Office of the Commissioner

Mission Statement

The Commissioner's Office supports the City of Rochester's *One City Vision Statement and its Values and Guiding Principles* through management policy and sets goals and performance standards. It coordinates the Department's annual budget and capital planning processes; maintains fiscal operations and payroll matters, coordinates the purchasing of supplies, and manages the City Council submission process

Bureau of Recreation

Mission Statement

The Bureau of Recreation supports the City of Rochester's *One City Vision Statement and its Values and Guiding Principles* through providing quality leisure time programs and services to residents of all ages with an emphasis on youth. This is accomplished by utilizing a youth development philosophy with a focus on competence, usefulness, belonging and power of influence. The Bureau acts as stewards, interpreters and champions of our City's recreational and horticultural resources including parks, playgrounds, green spaces, and related facilities. It plans and implements capital improvement projects in parks, recreation facilities, and the Public Market.

The Bureau also manages and operates the Rochester Public Market in a manner that: ensures its financial viability, fosters local economic development, promotes and sustains farmers and vendors, and provides consumers with access to a fresh, nutritious, and affordable food service.

Office of Employment Opportunities

Mission Statement

The Office of Employment Opportunities supports the City of Rochester's *One City Vision Statement and its Values and Guiding Principles* by supporting youth in their development into successful, contributing adult citizens by providing workforce preparation and educational support.

This office also manages Pathways to Peace (PTP) which operates a street level team of outreach workers channeling young city residents toward an array of community resources to prevent youth violence and to ensure that these at-risk youth become productive citizens.

Bureau of Youth Services

Mission Statement

The Bureau of Youth Services supports the City of Rochester's *One City Vision Statement and its Values and Guiding Principles* by supporting youth in their development into successful, contributing adult citizens by providing support for academic enrichment, youth development, empowerment and other prevention based programs and services.