



Precious Mentor – Mentee Qualifications

- Middle or high school youth
- Living in A Precious Child's 8 county service area
- Dealing with one or more of the following issues:

Lacking Community & Connection

- Lacking a caring, positive adult / role model
- Members of the LGBTQ+ community
- Struggling to form positive relationships -parents, peers, teachers, etc.

Facing Issues with Health & Well-Being

- Youth or family member struggles with mental health and/or substance abuse
- Facing risk factors such as, neighborhood violence, family struggles (foster care, kinship care, single parent, divorce, etc.)
- Youth or family members are victims of sexual, emotional or physical abuse, neglect or domestic violence
- Struggling with social-emotional well-being
- Loss of family member (death, suicide, etc.)
- Having suicidal ideations or attempts
- Living with a disability
- Toxic stress

Engaging In Risky Behaviors

- Delinquency, teen pregnancy, gang involvement, substance abuse, etc.
- Involved in the legal system, incarceration

Negative Attitudes about the Future

- Feeling hopelessness
- No College and/or Career aspirations
- Lacking goal setting

Lacking Competencies

- Not meeting academic potential
- Lacking proper decision-making
- Struggling with executive functioning skills
- English language learner
- Lacking interpersonal and social skills

Facing Poverty

- Low income, living in poverty, living below Colorado Self-Sufficiency Standard
- Experiencing homelessness
- Facing a lack of opportunities and resources