

City of Alexandria, Virginia

Alexandria Children & Youth Master Plan

City Council Presentation
April 22, 2014





Process

- Children, Youth & Families Collaborative Commission convened the Design Team to guide the plan's development.
- Widespread Input was obtained from 7 community forums & 9 youth forum with 300+ adults & youth.
- First deliverable, the *Alexandria Children & Youth Well-Being Profile 2013* (a comprehensive statistical snap shot) – released, November 2013.



Development



The Master Plan:

- Is based on:
 - the City Strategic Plan &
 - the Alexandria City Public Schools Strategic Plan.
- Builds on other plans in the City.
- Requires broad commitment & collaboration of City, Schools & community organizations.
- Focuses on young people birth to 21.



Vision



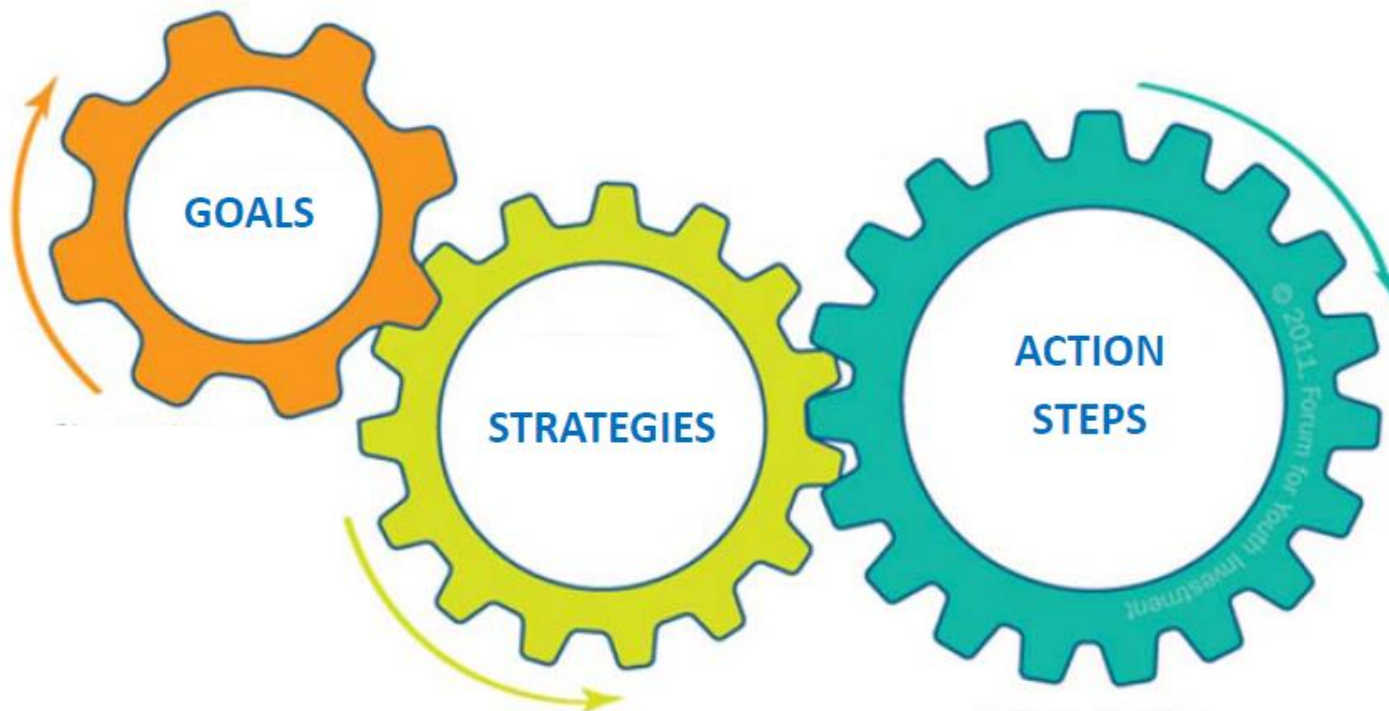
***All of Alexandria's children and youth
succeed, today & tomorrow.***





Plan Outline

- The Plan has 5 goals.
- Each goal has a set of strategies & action steps.



Goals, Strategies & Action Steps



- **Goals** – desired state for children, youth and families and Alexandria institutions.
- **Strategies** – a measurable approach the city can rely on to make a meaningful contribution toward a goal.
- **Action Steps** – activities that can be implemented in a specific timeframe.



Goal 1



Physical Health & Safety:
Every child will be physically safe & healthy.



Goal 2



Academic & Vocational Success:
Every child will be academically successful & career-ready.



Goal 3



Social & Cultural Competency:

Every child will be socially connected,
emotionally secure, & culturally competent.



Goal 4



Strengthening Families:

Every family will be equipped and empowered to support the well-being of their children effectively.



Goal 5



Transparency & Accountability:
Alexandria's systems & institutions will be responsive, coordinated, efficient & effective in service to children & families.



Next Steps



- Joint presentation at the City Council & School Board Retreat
- School Board endorsement
- City Council Public Hearing
- City Council adoption
- Development of implementation plan
- Community-wide mobilization for implementation beginning in FY 2015

