Twin Cities Youth Resource Guide

Best Buy Teen Tech Centers:

The Capri Theatre - 2027 W Broadway Ave, Minneapolis MN 55411
Jerry Gamble Boys & Girls Club - 2410 Irving Ave N, Minneapolis MN 55411
Hennepin County Library - 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis MN 55401
Project Success - 1 Groveland Terrace #300, Minneapolis, MN 55403
Brian Coyle Center - 420 15th Ave S, Minneapolis MN 55454
Hope Community Center - 611 E Franklin Ave, Minneapolis MN 55404
Richfield Middle School Boys & Girls Club - 7461 Oliver Avenue South, Richfield MN 55423
Keystone Community - 1150 Selby Ave, St. Paul MN 55104
CLUES St. Paul - 797 7th St E, St Paul, MN 55106
Migizi - 1845 E Lake St, Minneapolis, MN 55407
Minneapolis American Indian Center Boys & Girls Club- 1530 East Franklin Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55404

General Youth Resources:

Northside Achievement Zone - provide access to support resources available in Northside Minneapolis
Hope Community - cultivating community leaders to better the places we live
Juxtaposition Arts - art and design center for teens to learn how to become professional artists
Bridge for Youth - resource for youth experiencing homelessness to find support
Avenues for Youth - resource for youth experiencing homelessness to find stable housing
Youthlink - drop in center to access resources for youth experiencing homelessness
YMCA Youth Resource Line - drop in center to access various resources
MN Department of Human Services - list of mental health resources in Hennepin County
Community Action - Hennepin County Resources - List of resources covering many topics
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Harrison Park Spark'd Studio - tech center located at the Harrison Park building for ages 10-18

Tech Resources:

Everyone On - Connecting people to affordable internet service and computers
PCs For People - Find out if you are eligible for a free refurbished computer
FreeGeek - Offers very low cost desktop packages for low income customers
Comcast Internet Essentials - Apply for affordable internet service through Comcast
Hennepin County Library Card - Get online app to access ebooks, audiobooks, trainings, and other resources

Online Learning:

Coursera - Online courses and degrees from world-class universities and companies.
Code Academy - Learn coding with 12+ different programming language paths

Google Workspace Suite - Connect, Create, and Collaborate with Docs, Sheets, Slides, Drive...
Google Skillshop - Develop workforce skills through elearning modules
DuoLingo - Free web app to learn 30+ languages
Youtube - of course! Educational video for pretty music everything!
Northstar Digital Literacy - Earn Digital Badges for computer skills

Free/Open Source Software:

Gimp Image Editor Software similar to Photoshop
Photopea - Online Image Editor similar to Photoshop
Krita - Digital Drawing Software
Canva - Online design tool with various templates
Blender - 3D Modelling, Simulations, and Animation
Tinkercad - 3D Modelling, Circuit Building
Bandlab - Music DAW
Scratch - Coding/Animation
MakeCode - Program your own Videogame
Code.Org - Learn Coding

Food Resources:

Good in the Hood Food Shelf-in-a-Box
Twin Cities Free Food Events & Resources Facebook Group
List of Hennepin County Food Pantries

Mental Health Resources:

If you are in a crisis, please contact the following:
988 National Suicide & Crisis Lifeline
Teen Line - Connect with other teens to chat about your struggles
National Runaway Safeline - 1-800-Runaway
NAMI (National Alliance of Mental Illness) - Call **800-950-6264** or text “NAMI” to 62640

LGBTQIA+ Resources

The Trevor Project - 24/7 Hotline - 1.866.488.7386
Trans Lifeline - Peer Trans Support - 877.565.8860
QueerSpace Collective - Queer Mentorship & Local Event Meet-Ups
Aliveness Project - (612)824-5433
Offers HIV support services such as healthy meals, food shelf, case management, and resources.
Avenues For Youth - (612)522-1690
Support youth to find their path out of homelessness by providing a stable home, building trusting relationships, and navigating the youth’s education, career, health and wellness and housing goals.

Bridge For Youth - 24-hour Crisis line: (612)377-8800, Business line: (612)230-6601
Crisis intervention and shelter for runaway youth, including LGBTQ sensitive services.
Outfront MN - (612)728-2000
OutFront Minnesota is an LGBTQ+ rights organization that offers anti-violence services, educational training, advocacy and community resources.

Employment Resources:

Step Up- Youth Employment for ages 14-21, training and connections to paid internships in the Twin Cities
Genesys Works- Workforce Readiness training and job placements for High School Seniors in St. Paul
Hired - Build your marketable skills through trainings and workshops, educational assistance, internships
Mpls Youth Works - Education, Career Prep, Internships/Employment, Support Services
LinkedIn- Social Networking for Job Searching
Indeed- Job Searching Platform

Companies that Hire Teens:

Outdoor/Rec:

Conservation Corps, YMCA, Mpls Parks and Rec, Valley Fair, State Fair, V3 Sports

Art:

Juxtaposition Arts, Brandlab

Food:

Cookie Cart, Green Garden Bakery, Popeyes, Culvers, Taco Bell, Chipotle, Chick-fil-A, McDonalds, Taco Bell, Cub, Lunds, Wedge

Retail:

Target, Best Buy, Petco, AMC Theatres, Full Cycle Bike Shop

Self Employment Ideas:

Lemonade Stand, Babysitting, Dog Walking, Custom Art, Photography, Video, Vintage Clothing Reselling, Car Washing, Mowing/Landscaping, Pressure Washing, Tutoring, Translating, Shovelling Snow, Sport Refereeing, Golf Caddy