

## STRONGER TOGETHER!

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For nearly 30 years, Red Wing Youth Outreach has made lasting change in the lives of Red Wing's Youth through our mentoring, independent livings skills, and crisis intervention programs. Investment in programs that get results has been a hallmark of our operating philosophy.

Similarly, during the past 10 years, Every Hand Joined has developed a strong network of partners and initiatives that are focused on ensuring all youth of Red Wing are successful. Using a community owned-and-led Collective Impact model, Every Hand Joined has helped Red Wing focus on investing in solutions that demonstrate measurable improvement in the outcomes of Red Wing's youth.

The boards of RWYO and EHJ are excited to announce that Every Hand Joined's Collective Impact model will be moving to and managed by Red Wing Youth Outreach beginning September 1. The change leverages the combined strengths of RWYO and EHJ:

- Youth enrichment programs
- Parent engagement strategies
- Data sharing and measurement
- Collaboration and coordination among youth-serving organizations

While the oversight and management of EHJ is changing, the programs and services will continue under Red Wing Youth Outreach with the vision of ensuring every child in Red Wing finds success from cradle to career.

"This is a marriage of complimentary organizations and mission. The youth and our community will benefit from closer coordination and combined operations. This is an investment in our youth, and ultimately the long-term health and success of Red Wing," said Mandy Arden, Executive Director of Red Wing Youth Outreach.

Community and Volunteer leadership of both RWYO and EHJ are taking an active role in ensuring a smooth transition for the program change.

Ross Lexvold, Chair of Every Hand Joined, went on to say, "We're thrilled about the alignment created by this change, and invite the community to continue their support of the Collective Impact model and Red Wing Youth Outreach with their time and their resources."



**Temeka Wirkkala**  
Community Organizer for Parent Engagement



**Chantel Wood**  
Operations Specialist

Please help us welcome Temeka Wirkkala and Chantel Wood to Red Wing Youth Outreach.

Temeka will continue working as a Community Organizer for Parent Engagement under the collective impact initiative and bringing her wealth of knowledge, relationships, and dedication to parents in Red Wing.

Chantel carries out functions that support all operations - from programming to communications and beyond. Her unique skill set ensures we have efficient processes.

# MEET OUR TEAM



**Mandy Arden**  
Executive Director



**Chelsea Will**  
Independent Living Skills Coordinator



**Jenna Collins**  
Mentoring Coordinator



**Jennifer Tift**  
Mentoring Coordinator

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