

# Violent Deaths of Teenagers

## Community Impact

Violent deaths to teenagers, ages 15 to 19, are down 34.6% since 2004.

## Source of Data

Missouri Kids Count

## Agency Programs Impacting This Target Population

Bridgeway Behavioral Health

NAMI St. Louis

CHADs

Preferred Family HealthCare

Crider Health Center

(Other counseling programs)

Kids Under Twenty One

## Background

Included in this category are suicides, homicides, drug overdoses, and vehicular deaths involving substance use. Funding focused on reducing violent deaths to teens was expanded in the treatment of two target populations: youth with a serious emotional disorder and youth with a substance use disorder. On average, over a thousand more youth receive help in these areas each year. Additionally, substance use prevention and suicide prevention programming are being provided to approximately 80% of the middle school and high schools students in our County.