## When our youth are strong, our future is solid.





## 2025 -2027 Youth Needs Assessment

- 1. Depression / mental health
- 2. Stress issues
- 3. Vaping / smoking / tobacco use
- 4. Hygiene
- 5. Lack of things to do locally

- 6. Bullying
- 7. Body image / appearance issues
- 8. Teen drug use
- 9. Underage alcohol use
- 10. Family problems

This youth needs assessment is conducted by surveying youth in Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, and Presque Isle Counties regarding common issues affecting youth in our communities. The issues listed above were the top ten issues noted by the 358 surveyed students. This assessment is done once every three years and is used to assist the Community Foundation's Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) Youth Advisory Councils (YAC) in determining grant awards from the Northeast Michigan Kellogg Youth Fund held at CFNEM.