

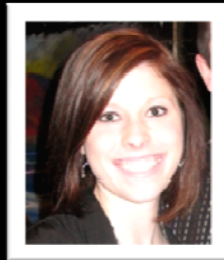


# youth FORWARD

GOVERNOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL



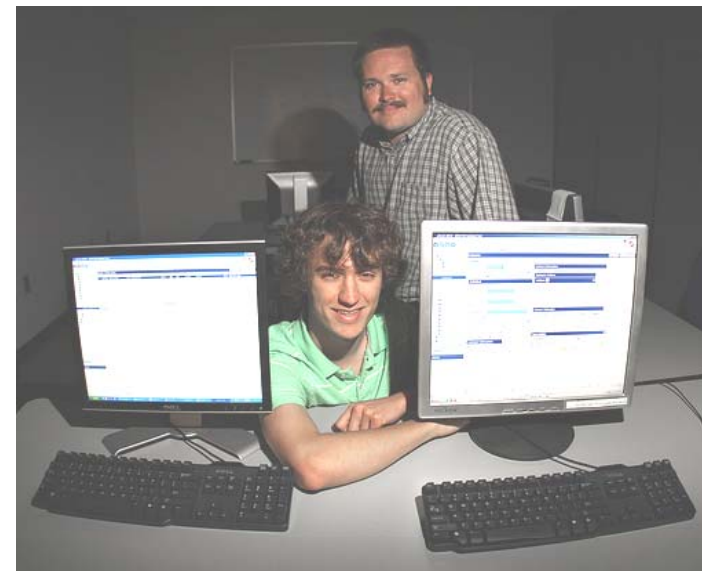
# Youth Council Members





## Office Intent

1. Umbrella for existing DOC youth retention strategies for targeting youth 14-24
  - ☐ Operation Intern
  - ☐ Career Conversations
  - ☐ Youth Entrepreneurship
2. Serve as liaison to coordinate similar youth messages to youth, educators and parents



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### Promoting Youth for North Dakota's Future

Posted on March 24, 2010 by ndyouthforward



You only have to spend a few moments in the presence of teens and twenty-something to feel charged up when they are excited about something. The energy and passion they have to offer things they believe in is contagious. North Dakota, from the state to local community and civic organizations, is putting more and more emphasis on the resource our youth represents. For years, we've heard about how young people are leaving North Dakota, but that is simply becoming less true. We're growing in North Dakota (check out the article [20 Counties Experience Growth in North Dakota](#)) and some of the growth is simply young people choosing to make their homes and professional careers right here.

Movements like [YouthForward](#) and the Governor's Youth Council and the tremendous amount of local Young Professional (YP) chapters (find a chapter near you at [NDYP.net](#)) around the state are helping youth be heard. It is giving them greater information earlier about what there is for them in the state, the impacts they can make, and the opportunities available to them.

Events like the upcoming [Great Plains Young Professionals Summit](#) taking place June 3-5, 2010 in Bismarck are giving youth places to connect, network and grow their

### Videos



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North Dakota Youth Forward Launch







# Youth Council Activities

1. Announced Youth Council members and established Youth Office at the Department of Commerce in October.
2. Council met October 13<sup>th</sup> & split into 4 Categories:
  1. Health, Wellness & Safety
  2. Education
  3. Jobs
  4. Recreation & Entertainment
3. Additional input invited from student organizations such as DECA, [State Student Council](#) & social media.
4. Subcommittees Presented Recommendations for Council Meeting on February 15<sup>th</sup>
5. Draft Report will be written and sent out by mid-April to be discussed in meeting for late May.

# North Dakota

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Youth Office



- Improve awareness of opportunities for young people
- Identify needs and gaps
- Leverage expertise
- Establish a statewide “home” for youth information and services
- Develop a process for youth input
- Greater retention rate of ND youth

