

YOUTH DRIVEN GOALS

(For more ideas, refer to the Match Activity Ideas list)

CATEGORY: SKILLS "Learn/Practice/Strengthen"	IDEAS
1-4 Month Goal: Relationship Development	 To have and build a friendship Meet on a consistent basis Have open communication with each other about outings and setting up visits
Competence (Life Skills)	 Plan, shop for, and cook a meal Bake Knit, crochet, sew, mend clothes/buttons Draw/paint something Do laundry Wrap a gift Mow the lawn Hammer a nail Build something Put up a tent
Confidence (Physical skills)	 Swim Bike Throw Kick Catch Paddle a canoe/kayak Read a map/navigate the city (geocaching) Learn to tie knots Learn a new sport Do sport or physical activity times each month



Caring/Compassion (Charity)	 Volunteer Make/buy gift for someone or a cause Write a kind letter to someone Do a kind deed
Confidence (Leadership, Growth, and Empowerment)	 Connect to community resources Explore community resources that can support youth in obstacles they may be facing Try new activities in the community
Connection (Educational skills/Learning and Career Development)	 Read Write/journal Create a budget Study for learner's/driver's exam Write a letter & address an envelope Create a resume/hand out resume Fill out a job application Do a mock job interview Study number of times a month together Research a country/animal/sport/music genre/art period Create a presentation about the topic Work on anger management Visit libraries
Character (Develop inner strengths)	Topics to address/build knowledge and skills in: • Anxiety • Anger management • Depression • Concentration • Grief/Illness • Divorce/missing a parent



	 Self-esteem/confidence Social skills/building friendships Strategies to deal with bullying Strategies for growing in the areas listed above: Talk about it, share personal experience or thoughts about it Visit the library and find books about it, read them together Ask your MF to connect to other resources
Mentees 14+ years old	The agency has a Youth Employment program and offers support with employment, career and post-secondary readiness and connections. We host events and promote community activities for matches to attend. There is a monthly email list to get more information about the activities Some goals related to this are: Building a resume Interview skills Checking out a post-secondary campus Filling out job applications Learning about career opportunities or post- secondary programs offered