Initiative:  DYS Mission Statement

Purpose of the change:  The change in mission statements represents a component of the larger and comprehensive change DYS is currently undergoing. The new mission statement positions DYS to be a youth-focused agency for youth under our supervision and those served in community programs.

Process for creation:  The new mission statement was developed through a labor / management team and then offered to community partners and DYS employees for feedback and final revision.

DYS Mission Statement:
To encourage positive change in the lives of youthful offenders through collaborative partnerships and culturally relevant therapeutic and academic interventions that support public safety and prepare youth to lead productive lives.