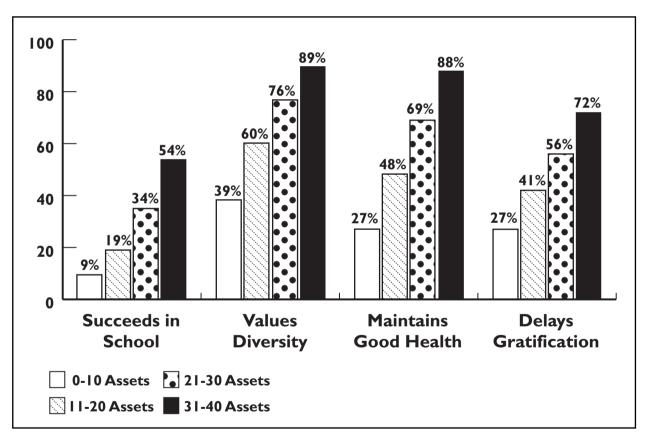


The Power of

Developmental Assets

THE POWER OF ASSETS TO PROMOTE POSITIVE ATTITUDES AND BEHAVIORS*

aving more Developmental Assets increases the chances that young people will have positive attitudes and behaviors. Search Institute research has found that young people with more assets are more likely to participate in eight positive behaviors. Here are some examples:

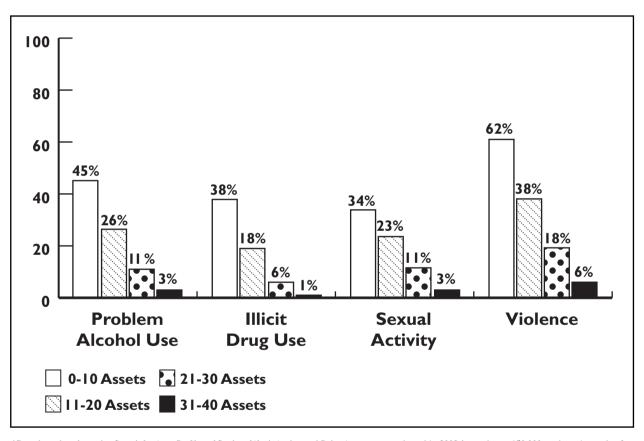


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THE POWER OF ASSETS TO PROTECT*

Assets can help protect young people from making many harmful and unhealthy choices. Youth with more assets are less likely than youth with fewer assets to engage in 24 risky behaviors, such as tobacco use, gambling, violence, and shoplifting. This chart shows this relationship:



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