

Youth Voices and Vision

VISION STATEMENT

A society where youth are respected as powerful leaders and active community members.

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SELF-ESTEEM SERVICE SUCCESS

Young Women of Promise, Inc. is a 501c3 nonprofit corporation which promotes the involvement of parents, families, educators, business and community leaders in programs that provide social, academic, and community service learning activities for adolescent females.

Our proactive approach is to promote positive adolescent development and serve our youth during the ages in which many important life decisions are affected by peer pressure and negative behaviors such as teen pregnancy, teen violence and drug and alcohol abuse. Our program components include: Young Women's mentoring; Take 5 and Read; Camp Promise, Kindness from Kids community service initiative and Youth Voices and Vision.

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Youth Voices and Vision Leadership Class II

Youth are our leaders of tomorrow. Unfortunately, today few youth have positions of leadership and opportunities for obtaining those skills have been limited or unavailable.

The mission of Youth Voices and Vision is to encourage and foster minority youth leadership development. The program will equip youth with skills to become members of society who will positively and proactively impact the communities in which they live.

Youth Voices and Vision will empower young leaders with the tools to positively change the world around them by sharing ideas, community projects, and developing leadership skills. Students in middle school and high school will come together from across Mecklenburg County to discuss issues and share ideas about how to build up their communities.

Youth Voices and Vision is a youth leadership development program of Young Women of Promise, Inc., a nonprofit agency founded in 2001 by Theresa Williams Bethea. Bethea has developed youth programs and provided leadership to youth serving agencies for the past 15 years.



Photo by Hugh House, Jr.

"I learned that there are ways that I can make a difference in my community."

Bianca House was one of 34 students who participated in the first Youth Voices and Vision leadership development class in Cabarrus County in 2006. Program funding was provided by the North Carolina Civic Education Consortium and Philip Morris USA.

The program kickoff for **Youth Voices and Vision** Class II program participants will be held on **Saturday, January 19, 2008** at Chappell Memorial Baptist Church in Charlotte. The program will feature motivational speakers and attorneys, Warren, Deshun and Kenya Martin (The Martin Triplets) from Edwards Mississippi.

*The registration deadline is **November 15, 2007**. Applications for Class II can be requested by calling 704/526-6362. The program is open to male and female students in grades 6-12.*

Applications and additional information are posted on our website at www.youthvoicesandvision.org.

Youth Voices and Vision Class II Program Schedule

All sessions meet from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

January 19, 2008	MLK Day Celebration/Program Kickoff Youth Empowerment Program
January 21, 2008	MLK Day of Service Projects
February 2, 2008	Public Speaking and Teambuilding
February 16, 2008	Charlotte Talking History
March 1, 2008	Youth and the Media Photography/Videography/Print/Radio
March 15, 2008	Conflict Resolution Workshop
April 5, 2008	Youth Civic Engagement/ Discovering the Leader in You
April 19, 2008	Global Youth Service Day Planning
April 26, 2008	Global Youth Service Day Youth Town Hall Meeting
May 3, 2008	Youth Health and Fitness
May 17, 2008	Field Trip and Enrichment Activities
June 7, 2008	Program Graduation and Celebration

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