

MAKE A DIFFERENCE GRANTS

Helping Students Serve Others



- Provides grants for local youth-led projects that address community issues
- Reinforces academic learning, cognitive and social skills, and increases self-esteem among involved students
- Recipients have fun volunteering while learning that they can make a profound difference in the lives of others in their community

TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Listening To the Youth Voice



- Engages students from area high schools in youth-led leadership development and community service projects
- Contributes thousands of hours of service annually within our community
- Students plan and facilitate collaborative projects involving diverse community organizations, encouraging civic responsibility among their peers and building a stronger local community through their active leadership

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Building a Healthy Community of Young People



- High school and middle school conferences provide evidence-based interactive activities to prevent the experimentation, use, and addictions of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco
- Participants increase their knowledge and resistance skills and strengthen their leadership skills
- Participants form collaborative relationships with youth from diverse backgrounds, and increase their self-esteem

TEEN COURT

Restoring Lives Through Alternative Justice



- Restorative justice-based diversion program serving first-time juvenile offenders and high school student volunteers
- Respondents are sentenced at a hearing of their peers who volunteer to serve as jury members, prosecuting attorneys, defense attorneys, bailiff, and judge's assistant and who are mentored by adult attorneys
- Provides respondents and youth volunteers with the mentors, education, tools, and resources to make positive, healthy choices



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SINCE 1987



148,875 local children and teens have been involved in 3,251 youth-led service projects and have received over \$757,000 in grants from Youth Resources.

TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

98 TAC members

96 agencies served



2,400 community service hours completed

34,819 people impacted by service events

TEENPOWER

13

grants awarded to student-led TEENPOWER Clubs for prevention service projects

286%

increase in participation at TEENPOWER conferences over the last eight years

AT TEENPOWER 2015

390 high school and middle school students representing 38 schools and 5 counties were empowered to lead positive, healthy lifestyles.

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Since the first official hearing in 2005, Teen Court has involved over 1,200 youth volunteers who have served 6,015 hours of community service through Teen Court hearings.



As part of their sentencing, juvenile offenders have completed 2,481 hours of community service.