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BURNS HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION HOSTS YOUTH SUMMIT ON VIOLENCE

HIGH POINT, N.C. (July 20, 2021) – The Burns Hill Neighborhood Association, in partnership with the City of High Point, will host its third annual Youth Summit on Violence Aug. 2 through Aug. 4, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Morehead Recreation Center, 101 Price St.

This year's theme will be "Unleashing the Power of Youth." The summit's purpose is for middle and high school students to "break the code of silence" and reduce the acceptance of youth violence that pervades our city. They will learn from each other, share successes and solutions, give moral support to each other and take tested strategies from multiple sources to address long-standing problems. They will make inroads on the persistent problem of youth and gang violence that plague our neighborhoods. What teens learn from each other can be a road map to useful ideas and insights that can help reduce violence, build lasting relationships and strengthen our communities.

The first day of the summit will focus on mental health issues such as self-esteem, eating disorders, teen dating violence and the influence of media on teens. The second day will focus on financial literacy, how to interview for a job, dressing for success when interviewing and mock interviews. The third day will focus on how to interact with law enforcement, the juvenile justice system and social justice.

Free breakfast and lunch will be provided to attendees as well as prize giveaways. Contact Jerry Mingo at 336.989.0308 for information concerning donations and how to get your teen involved with the summit.

The City of High Point aims to serve as the catalyst for bringing together the community's human, economic and civic resources for the purpose of creating the single most livable, safe and prosperous community in America.

For more information on the City, visit www.highpointnc.gov.

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