

# Voices Against Violence

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*2023-2024 City of Pittsburgh STOP the  
Violence Community Investment Grants*

## *The Pittsburgh Contingency*

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# FollowUp Form

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## *Quarter Three Activities Update*

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Greetings, STOP the Violence grantees!

As the City of Pittsburgh prepares to update our stakeholders on the impact of this process, we need to gather some evaluation-focused information about your programs. Please answer the following survey about your services and activities from the third quarter following receipt of your grant award.

Thank you!

### Organization Name\*

*Please enter the name of your project/program in the box below.*

Voices Against Violence

### Did you spend any of your STOP the Violence grant funds during this period?\*

Yes

### How did you spend the funds?\*

Please check all categories that apply.

Staff Compensation (including benefits)

Program Supplies

General Operations

### If you chose "other", please describe.

Tell us how many people your organization/group served from the following age groups during this period.

### Ages 0-17\*

34

### Ages 18-30\*

12

### Ages 30+\*

3

## Programs and Services\*

Provide a brief description of any programs or services your organization or group provided in alignment with your STOP the Violence proposal.

- 1) Voices Against Violence (VAV) held multiple meeting a month involving youth between the ages of 12 -18. These meetings centered around handling peer pressure. Being a Leader and not a Follower. Recognizing destructive relationships and how to avoid them. How to deal with conflict and how to resolve issues. Conversations with Zone 3 Police Officers. Discussions (group) with mental health providers around emotions and feelings.
- 2) Participants had to work together to create a community service project that benefited local hilltop communities.
- 3) Youth who participated in the program recruited friends to participate with the STOP THE VIOLENCE CAMPAGIN held in the Hilltop at our center.
- 4) VAV worked with the Justice system (Abraxas, juvenile probation and Adult Probation) to provide services and community service opportunities for our participants.

## Did you partner with any other organizations or groups during this period?\*

Yes

## Did your organization intentionally engage officers from the Pittsburgh Police during this period?\*

Yes

## Did you use STOP the Violence logos in marketing and media (social or traditional)?\*

Yes

## Give a brief description of your STOP the Violence during this period\*

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**Is your organization planning any public activities in the next few months?\***

Yes

**If "yes", please provide a brief description.**

We held an open house and dinner for participants and non participants in the hopes of increasing participation in the Stop the Violence campaign.

**Does your organization need capacity-building support?\***

Yes

**On what areas of focus would you like your capacity-building support?**

Fundraising  
Marketing  
Social Media

**Share Your Stories\***

**Upload a clip or provide text to share one or more specific stories (please avoid using full names of clients/participants) that illustrates the impact of your work.**

These 3 stories are similar so i will just combine them..

We had three different young men who had been assigned to us at different times by the justice system as an alternative to punishment by the courts. We have worked with the courts in the past and they are aware of our programs and our success rate with the youth.

Two of the youth were 15 and the third was 18, all facing punishment from the courts. One of these young men were facing gun charges. After completing our program charges were dropped against all three, but most importantly they stayed involved with the program and their parents reported to us their behavior had changed at home as well as their choice of friends had changed. They were staying out of the streets and even helping around the house. also, the school issues had ceased and their grades had increased. We check in with the parents twice a month to verify the change is still going on and to offer our assistance if necessary.

## File Attachment Summary

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### *Applicant File Uploads*

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