

**Growing Leaders**  
Bridging the gaps between generations to form sustainable relationships for community change.

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**Description**

- A one day training for professionals on youth culture and leadership.
- Content has been modified for use at several other community trainings.
- Youth had an equal part in planning, organizing, promoting, and facilitating this event, because we are the experts on our own culture!

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**The Training**

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### Youth Generation Presentation

- Purpose: educate adults on the influences of today's youth culture.
- Show adults how to use this information to their advantage when working with youth.
- Bridge the gap between generations and utilize similarities to practice acceptance.

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### Highlights

- Making History
- How we spend spare time
- Role models
- Conversation/slang terms
- Text lingo
- Stereotypes
- Fads and Fashion
- Sex in the media

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### Youth Engagement

- Purpose: Help adults identify where they stand on the engagement ladder.
- Example how engaging youth can help within their agency/coalition/project.
- Show how to sustain youth involvement.

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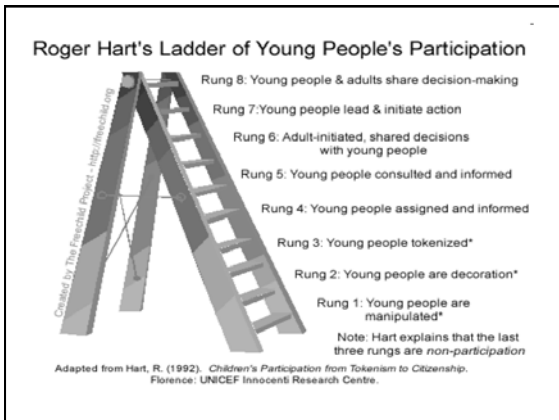
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- Steps to Youth Engagement**
- ASSESS current youth involvement
  - SHIFT ATTITUDE about working with youth.
  - BREAK DOWN BARRIERS and stereotypes that go along with youth.
  - PLANNING
  - RECRUITMENT
  - Support youth to make CHOICES
  - Set GOALS
  - CELEBRATE successes
  - Offer SUPPORT
  - RECOGNIZE youth accomplishments

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**Teenage Development and Behavior**

\*Demonstrate how social maturation and brain development give teens a different perspective of life that can spice up community efforts and projects.

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### Personality Test

- Define that youth are individuals within a culture, not JUST a culture.
- Identify personality traits within ourselves to improve relationships for team building.

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### Youth Panel

- Answer any questions that professionals had about youth culture and youth involvement.
- Break down the youth culture stereotypes and discussion how stereotypes divide youth from each other and adults they work with.

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\*Training video available soon

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