

NATIONAL FORUM on
YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION



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“Above all, let us lift up six American cities as examples of what it means to break down traditional barriers and find creative solutions to our most critical problems. Then let us broaden our efforts by sharing the lessons we learn with other communities across the country. Let us remake our nation.”

– Attorney General Eric J. Holder



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"This forum is an opportunity to better learn how we can provide the tools and resources that communities, administrators, teachers, parents and students need to keep our children safe."

– Secretary Arne Duncan



"By linking cities and federal agencies to one another, the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention is sending a powerful message... 'You are not alone. We are all in this together.'"

– Senior Advisor to the President, Valerie Jarrett





About the Forum

- Network of agencies and localities who
 - share information
 - offer technical assistance
 - coordinate action and resources
 - profile successes
- Diversity at federal and local levels
 - DOJ, ED, HHS, Labor, HUD, ONDCP, CNCS, DPC
 - Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Memphis, Salinas, San Jose
 - local teams include diverse mix of stakeholders





More About the Forum

- Each locality prepares and implements a comprehensive youth violence plan featuring:
 - Multi-disciplinary partnerships
 - Balanced Approaches
 - Data-driven strategies
- Federal agencies support plans with information, technical assistance, training, and coordination
- Forum is about using current funding better through collaboration and effective use of evidence and data





Forum Updates and Next Steps

- **Forum Expansion**
 - FY 2012 Forum expanded to Camden, Minneapolis, New Orleans and Philadelphia
 - FY 2014 Forum will expand to five additional sites
- **Forum is highlighted** in the President's *My Brother's Keeper* Initiative and the Attorney General's Smart on Crime Initiative
- **Spring 2015** next Summit on Preventing Youth Violence
- FY 2014 **California selected** for the Defending Childhood State Policy Initiative

*More next steps? You tell us!
The Forum is yours – use it!*





Thank you

**And let's continue to move forward
together.**

