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2018

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WHY YOUTH ADVOCACY?

Young people face the brunt of the world’s problems today—and will continue to wrestle with them in the future when our current world leaders are long gone. So, why are these essential contributors still excluded from real-world decision-making?

We know that even though many young people are not old enough to vote, they still wield real influence with elected officials and other decision-makers. Our non-profit organization promotes youth-organized campaigns in the US and abroad that diagnose problems and propose solutions to their local decision makers and officials (like school board members), community elders, and elected officials.

There is NO minimum age for leadership.
OUR PROGRESS

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SUCCESS: CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS

ArchNova Mental Health
At the Washington House Education Committee, two students testified in support of a Youth Suicide Prevention bill they helped draft. *Pictured Left*

Youth Up Health!
On June 5th, YUH! presented a five page proposal based on community surveys and environmental research to their school administration. Victory! The school approved the installation of several water bottle refill stations!

Outside Grad Movement
Students from Chelsea High School, MA successfully petitioned their school board and local government not only to move their gradation to a larger outside venue, but for funding to do so as well! The City Council allocated $170,000! Quite a victory for family inclusivity. Families of all sizes can now join students for the big day! *Pictured Cover & Below*
WHOM DO WE SUPPORT?

We are dedicated to helping any and all teens #GetActivated, but we specifically aim to help those of marginalized and underserved communities.

- **91%** GIRLS
- **10%** LGBTQ+
- **30%** LOW-INCOME

- Hispanic/Latino/Latina: 34%
- Black/African American: 29%
- Multi-Racial/Ethnic: 2%
- Asian/Asian American: 14%
- White: 21%
QUICK STATS

I’m so excited to be a virtual Ally. I’m participating in a 21st-century program! I’m learning from this experience and it is helping my professional practice.

- Robin, volunteer Adult Ally, Charlotte, NC

8

NUMBER OF STATES
Although located in DC, our digital approach allows us to mentor, connect, and activate teens from any location in the USA.

10

NUMBER OF ALLIES
We believe an essential part of learning to be a teen leader is forming a partnership with a dedicated Adult Ally! All of our Adult Allies are Volunteers!

20

NUMBER OF TEAMS
Through out 2018, 20 teen leaders signed up to receive activism training and mentorship. This process includes recruiting other teens and forming an advocacy campaign.

150

NUMBER OF TEENS
Due to our 20 teen leaders recruiting others, our impact extends to over 150 teens total!
Our total revenue for 2018 was $78,466. This includes:
- 2017 Reserves ($39,960)
- Unrestricted Donations ($5,227)
- School Girls Unite Donations ($1,749)
- Trainings / Keynotes ($1,510)
- New World Social Enterprise Grant ($30,000)

Thank you to the entire staff and consultation team for your pro bono support!

Our total spending for 2018 was $9,522. This includes:
- Teen Leadership Pilot ($2,967)
- Supplies & Equipment ($2,915)
- School Girls Unite / Mali Scholarship ($2,185)
- Website & Digital ($463)
- Admin / Board / Conferences ($244)
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