

Strategy Six: Links between youth and Police

Word is Bond and Multnomah Youth Commission

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We will share with you...

- ▶ MYC and Youth Against Violence (YAV) Committee Overview
- ▶ Word is Bond Overview
- ▶ Emerging Partnership

Multnomah Youth Commission



MYC

- ▶ Official youth policy body for City and County
- ▶ Since 1996!
- ▶ Up to 42 youth, ages 13-21
- ▶ 80% YOC, 65% low income



YAV

- ▶ Started 2011
- ▶ Current focus: gang violence, police violence, sexual & dating violence
- ▶ Our Bill of Rights: Children + Youth: Article V



What we've done

- ▶ Summits
- ▶ Small grants - County, City, OCF
Community 101
- ▶ Know Your Rights - Immigration
- ▶ Youth/Police Workshop series
- ▶ Began conversations around youth
advisory body for PPB

Word Is Bond



- ▶ **Word is Bond mission:** To build positive relationships between young African-American men and law enforcement.

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What we've done

- ▶ Ropes course: building trust and relationships
- ▶ Police Training Facility
- ▶ Digital storytelling project
- ▶ Community discussions
- ▶ Meet with public officials
- ▶ School presentations

Five areas of engagement

1. Safe spaces to create dialogue and interaction
2. Training and education
3. Trauma
4. Community Engagement
5. Fun

Comments and questions



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