

STATISTICS

According to the CDC,

In 2012, 4,787 young people aged 10 to 24 years were victims of homicide—an average of 13 each day.

Over 599,000 young people aged 10 to 24 years had physical assault injuries treated in U.S. emergency departments—an average of 1642 each day.

In a 2013 nationwide survey, about 24.7% of high school students reported being in a physical fight in the 12 months before the survey.

About 17.9% of high school students in 2013 reported taking a weapon to school in the 30 days before the survey.

In 2013, 19.6% of high school students reported being bullied on school property and 14.8% reported being bullied electronically.

Each year, youth homicides and assault-related injuries result in an estimated \$16 billion in combined medical and work loss costs.

Education Stops Violence

MISSION

The mission of the National Comedy Foundation is to develop, encourage, equip and inspire comedians for the purpose of enhancing the success of comedians. The NCF hopes to foster the appreciation, enjoyment, understanding, and development of the Comedic Arts.

NCF provides a safe environment for at-risk youth to use comedy as a vehicle to express and advocate for themselves, explore their identity(ies), enhance literacy and critical thinking skills, and use their voices to bring about both personal and social transformation.



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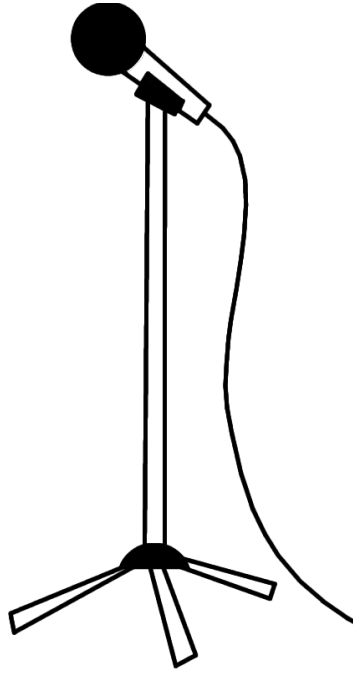
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Help at-risk teens find confidence and positive self-awareness.



Young people develop.....

Confidence
Courage
Critical Thinking
Time Management
Creativity
Communication

OUR PROGRAMS

Upstanding Youth

This program is designed to help at-risk youth better deal with situations and communicate more effectively. We take the youth through the Standup Comedy Workshop. The skills and techniques learned in the workshop will help these young people now and in their future.

Some of the skills that can be learned are Conflict Resolution, Confidence, Communication, Observing rather than Reacting, Idea Inception to Completion.



School Clubs

We provide guidance and mentoring to start and run *Comedic Arts Clubs* in Public Schools. Comedic Arts Clubs allow students to support and encourage each other. Each club determines their own direction, goals and comedic arts genre. The genres we recommend are Stand-Up, Sketch and Improv Comedy.