STRATEGIES THAT WORK:
Promising Programs From Local Communities

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Violence prevention programs have never been as important as they are now to the health of our communities. These programs have saved thousands of lives. And they save money – up to $3 for every $1 invested. Read more below about proven violence prevention strategies.

The following are programs that have been recommended by youth advocates in selected communities. Leaders of these programs have provided evaluation data that demonstrates the effectiveness of diverse strategies to keep youth safe. Each program description includes: the sponsoring organization’s mission; overview, components and target population; evaluation data source and highlights; and quotes from participants or leaders. Programs were chosen to represent each of the linked videoconference sites, including Fresno, Los Angeles, Redding, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco Bay Area, San Jose and Santa Barbara.

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We encourage you to learn more about strategies that work by visiting the Choices for Youth website: www.preventviolence.org. Please use the form opposite to tell us about other promising programs that we can add to the What Works section on this site.