



Students Against
Violence Everywhere

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**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
STUDENTS AGAINST VIOLENCE EVERYWHERE**

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YOUTH VOICES... GROWN-UP CHOICES!

Twenty-seven school associated deaths occurred this school year. There were hundreds of other non-death shootings, stabbings, riots and others incidents of violence that occurred nationwide*. School violence is having a major impact on young people, parents, school and law enforcement officials and we need your help to ensure that the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE), can continue to assist schools in their quest to become safer.

SAVE is a student-led, nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization that empowers youth in schools and community-based organizations to prevent youth crime and violence. SAVE engages and empowers students in grades K–12 in meaningful violence prevention efforts. SAVE is decreasing the potential for violence in our schools and communities by promoting student involvement, education and service opportunities in efforts to establish, support and nurture SAVE chapters. Young people are looking to be engaged in their schools and communities and SAVE's program does just that – works closely with nearly 200,000 members in over 1600 schools and communities nationwide.

The SAVE program has national reach, thousands of human touch points, and offers “real solutions” to societal problems while providing safety and education for our nation's youth. School administrators, teachers, parents, and students value the strides SAVE chapters are making to improve school safety for our youth. SAVE calls upon the entire community to take a stand and get involved in the safety and education of our youth. We are proud of our efforts in the past and look forward to a brighter, safer future for all our youth.

Pamela L. Riley
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Executive Director



VISION

Schools and communities will be safer and more secure, free of fear and conducive to learning as a result of students being actively involved in meaningful violence prevention efforts.

MISSION

The National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE) is a student led, public 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization striving to decrease the potential for violence in our schools and communities by promoting meaningful student involvement, education, and service opportunities to establish, support and nurture SAVE chapters.

GOALS

- ★ **Educate** students about the effects and consequences of violence as well as safe activities for students, parents, and the community.
- ★ **Encourage** positive peer influences within the school and community through violence prevention efforts.
- ★ **Engage** students in meaningful violence prevention efforts within their school and community.
- ★ **Empower** youth with knowledge and skills necessary to provide service to their community and school.

* National School Safety and Security Services, 2006

SAVE EDUCATES . . .

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CHAPTER SUPPORT

SAVE provides direct technical assistance and support to students, educators, law enforcement and community members on how to effectively establish and maintain SAVE chapters. Principals at every public school in all 50 states received information on SAVE.

Training & Support for SAVE Chapters:

SAVE provided many opportunities for training and support to established SAVE chapters. Several district-wide trainings for school systems across the country occurred as did numerous speaking engagements at rallies, community events and conferences.

Youth Voices... Grown-Up Choices Workshop

Educators and students from across the country committed to violence prevention in schools attended a one day interactive training session to discuss ways to implement a SAVE program in their school or community. The workshop focused on a number of violence prevention strategies including crime prevention, conflict management and service projects. The workshop provided participants from elementary schools, middle schools, high schools and community youth agencies with key tools to make a difference in their school and community.

Thank you Crayola for sponsoring this event!

SAVE MINI-GRANTS:

SAVE was able to administer a mini-grant opportunity to SAVE chapters through the ESA Foundation. These mini-grants allowed SAVE chapters across the United States to implement a variety of violence prevention awareness campaigns, teach conflict management skills, train youth in peer mediation, and fund many worthwhile service projects that aid in the safety of schools and communities.

- ★ 40 chapters received mini-grants
- ★ Over 35,000 youth served
- ★ States served by the Mini-Grant Project include: California, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Minnesota, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Texas.

Thank you ESA Foundation for supporting our SAVE Chapter efforts!

SAVE PUBLICATIONS & EDUCATIONAL ITEMS:

SAVE eSOURCE

SAVE distributed a monthly electronic newsletter. Chapters received important information on the monthly focus, upcoming events, contests, and grant opportunities, as well as highlights of successful chapter activities.

NATIONAL SAVE DAY PLANNING GUIDE

SAVE chapters received a planning guide to help them successfully celebrate National SAVE Day on October 19, 2005. The guide contained sample media advisories, proclamations and an extensive list of activities to involve students, staff and the community in their SAVE Day activities.

SAVE INFORMATION TOOLKIT

Individuals interested in starting a SAVE chapter in their school or community received the **new** SAVE Information Toolkit that contains background information on SAVE, the goals of SAVE, planning ideas and tips for beginning a chapter, and a comprehensive overview of the elements of SAVE: crime prevention, conflict management and being of service to your school and community.

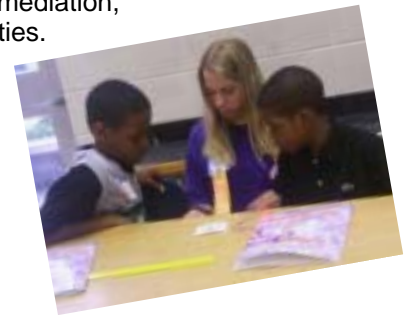
SAVE: GETTING STARTED

As SAVE chapters register they receive SAVE: Getting Started Activity Guide as well as membership cards and a SAVE Certificate. The guide includes sample meeting agendas, meeting ideas and activities to get their chapter off the ground and running.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Other SAVE publications produced included the SAVE Summit promotional flyer and program. The Youth Voices Grown-Up Choices workshop flyer, Back to School Safety Pledge, Parent Safety Sheet, and Youth Violence Prevention Bookmarks.

Thank you American Legion Child Welfare Foundation and the Sons of the American Legion for providing funding for numerous publications including the SAVE Information Toolkit and SAVE: Getting Started!



SAVE ENGAGES . . .

NATIONAL SAVE YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

The National Youth Advisory Board (YAB) serves as a voice for SAVE and as national role models for peers and younger students. Students from across the United States join together and have one common goal: to decrease the potential of violence in their schools and communities. They have become “a voice that matters” to adult leadership groups by providing a youthful perspective on current and new initiatives.

Planning & Organization, Materials, Activities

- ★ National SAVE Summit
- ★ National presentations
- ★ Public Awareness
- ★ Annual organization goals
- ★ National SAVE Day
- ★ National Youth Violence Prevention Week
- ★ Youth Forum
- ★ Activity Guides and Lesson Plans for Elementary, Middle and High School grades that are incorporated into the SAVE Essentials Manual

Fund-raising

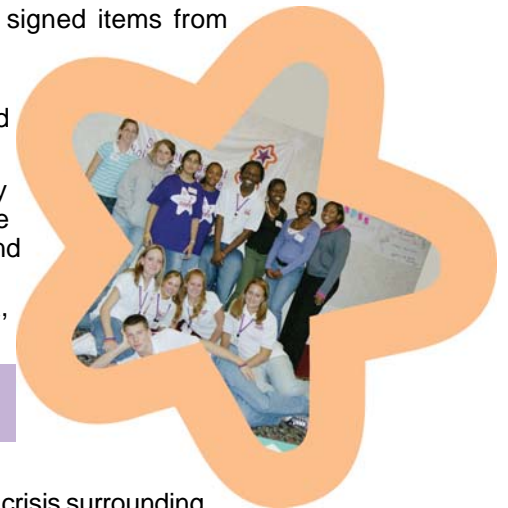
The YAB planned and initiated the Celebrity Auction that kicked off on National SAVE Day. YABers assisted in securing signed items from Celebrities.



NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

National SAVE held a National Trainer of Trainers workshop for Youth Advisory Board members to aid in the growth and expansion of SAVE.

- ★ Attendees participated in an intensive training including interactive, participatory activities. After receiving training, participants presented sessions on crime prevention, conflict management and service projects to institute participants and instructors.
- ★ Participants included representatives from California, Colorado, North Carolina, Minnesota, South Carolina, and Georgia.



SAVE ENCOURAGES . . .

PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

SAVE utilizes many versions of media and activities to heighten the awareness of the crisis surrounding youth and school violence and how youth can be empowered through SAVE to address this urgent situation. Articles regarding SAVE's activities as well as activities of chapter members have been prevalent in newspapers and magazines across the country. Many television and radio stations have interviewed SAVE members and SAVE representatives including CBS, NBC, ABC And FOX affiliates.

WEBSITE

- ★ 8,000+ average daily hits
- ★ #1 search engine ranking for Students Against Violence Everywhere on Yahoo, Google, AOL, MSN, Excite, All the Web and Lycos search engines
- ★ 2700+ websites link to SAVE

EVENTS

Presentations - Presentations, workshops, and national awareness efforts occurred throughout the United States thanks to SAVE staff and the National Youth Advisory Board.

National Youth Violence Prevention Week Campaign

National SAVE and The Guidance Channel initiated a vigorous recruitment campaign and tripled the number of sponsors for the initiative. As a result, both the campaigns' strategies and efforts were promoted to millions of students, educators, mental health professionals, law enforcement officers, community activists, faith-based groups, and others working with youth. Sponsors created web and email-based promotions, held training sessions, highlighted campaign efforts in print publications, distributed campaign brochures to members, and found countless other innovative ways to encourage participation.

Crayola Erase School Violence Initiative - Central Park Zoo, NY

Crayola surveyed 1,000 kids nationally asking them: “if you could erase a problem from the world, what would it be?” Thirty-three percent of the children said they wanted to help erase violence. Crayola donated its \$100,000 Erase It! Fund to SAVE to help students across the country be champions for safer schools and communities. SAVE Chapters attended an event at Central Park Zoo in New York and got to hear celebrity Amber Tamblyn speak.

Thank You Crayola for donating to SAVE for various violence prevention activities!

SAVE EMPOWERS . . .



BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY DAYS - SEPTEMBER 17, 2005

On Saturday, September 17, SAVE chapters in North Carolina had the opportunity to bring awareness to their chapter efforts in Hecht's stores across North Carolina. Chapters manned a display table and presented small skits throughout the afternoon. Chapters who participated received materials and support from Hecht's and the National SAVE office.

Thank You Hecht's for Supporting Back to School Safety Days!

NATIONAL SAVE DAY - OCTOBER 19, 2005

SAVE members across the country conducted educational activities and service projects in their schools and communities to bring awareness to the issue of violence and how students can make a difference. Chapters focused on critical SAVE elements to ensure a successful day including students, staff, service, awareness, activities, academics, violence prevention, voices, volunteers, engaging, empowering, encouraging and education. National SAVE Day occurred during America's Safe Schools Week.



NATIONAL SAVE SUMMIT - APRIL 1, 2006

The 10th Annual SAVE Summit "SAVE: Erasing the Colors of Violence" theme was chosen by the National Youth Advisory Board. Close to 1,000 students, teachers, law enforcement officers, counselors and community leaders from across the nation came together to share their ideas, gain new strategies and celebrate their violence prevention accomplishments of the year.

Student Led Sessions

Workshop sessions filled with fun and educational information and were led by SAVE members from across the country. Interactive workshop topics included: conflict management, diversity, law-related education, violence prevention, drug education, bullying, youth activism and much more.

*Thank You to
Our Summit Sponsors!*

The National Youth Violence
Prevention Resource Center
www.safeyouth.org

The Allstate Foundation

Hecht's/Macy's

Crayola's Erase It! Fund

In addition to being a sponsor for this year's SAVE Summit, the NYVPRC turned to SAVE for assistance in enhancing their website (www.safeyouth.org). SAVE members were involved in focus groups and trainings. SAVE Youth Advisory Board members trained to become spokespersons for the NYVPRC. Plans are being made for a continuation of this project for next year.

Motivating Speakers and Entertainers

For the first time ever, elementary students had special speakers and entertainers geared just towards them. Middle school and high school students had the pleasure of hearing age appropriate messages that are relevant to the issues they are facing today.

- ★ *Journey to a Better Tomorrow* - The Crookston SAVE Chapter presented a riveting production that educated participants on the physical and emotional effects of violence.
- ★ *Stomping Out Violence and Drugs* - The Konnoak SAVE chapter performed a conflict management drama and presented a violence prevention step performance.
- ★ *Halfway There: A True Story of Personal Triumphs Over Substance Abuse* - The highly acclaimed Periwinkle National Theatre presented a heartfelt drama on individuals who face the challenge of substance abuse.
- ★ *Fish the Magish: Beware Battling Bullies* - Fish the Magish entertained elementary school students while educating them on the serious subject of bullying.

YOUTH VOICES AWARDS

Each year National SAVE recognizes outstanding students, advisors and chapters for their efforts in preventing school and community violence. The award winners included:

- ★ **SAVE Student of the Year**
Adrian Correa, Adams Elementary School
Cassady Tetsworth, Kernodle Middle School
- ★ **SAVE Advisor of the Year**
Denise McCoy, Konnoak Elementary School
- ★ **SAVE Chapter of the Year**
Eastern Greene Elementary School
Thomas Jefferson Middle School



SAVE CHAPTERS. . .

SNAPSHOT OF SAVE CHAPTERS

The National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE) conducted a Survey with SAVE chapters. The following information is a snapshot of the information collected:



Types of SAVE Chapters:

- ★ Elementary 29%
- ★ Middle School 28%
- ★ High School 29%
- ★ Community/Other 14%

Gender of Members:

- ★ Female 50%
- ★ Male 50%

Ethnicity of SAVE Chapter Members:

- ★ White American 47%
- ★ African American 38%
- ★ Hispanic American 5%
- ★ Asian American 6%
- ★ Native American 1%
- ★ Other 3%

SAVE Chapter Advisors:

- ★ Teacher 29%
- ★ Counselor 17%
- ★ School Resource Officer 16%
- ★ Administrator 14%
- ★ Social Worker 11%
- ★ Parent Volunteer 2%
- ★ Community Leader 3%
- ★ Other 8%

SAVE LEADERSHIP INFO

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SAVE OPERATIONAL & PROGRAMMATIC REVENUES & EXPENSES

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Ending Net Assets: \$77,962

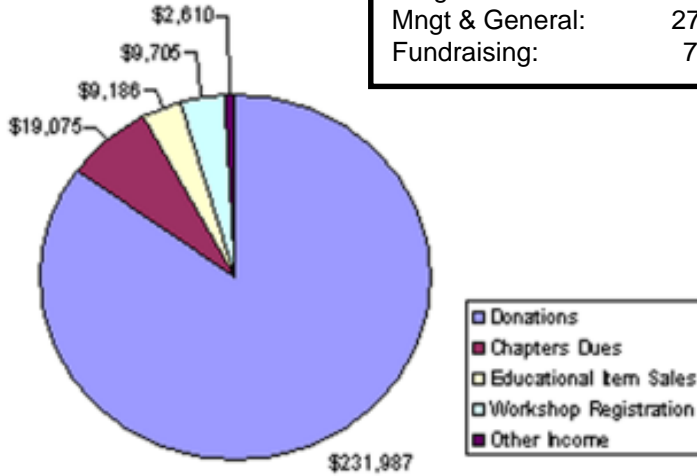
Total Expenses: \$260,683

Program: 225,579

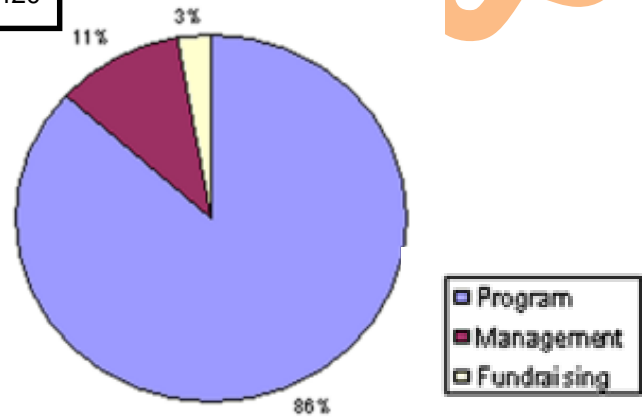
Mngt & General: 27,684

Fundraising: 7,420

REVENUES



EXPENSES



CONTRIBUTORS

- Allstate Foundation - Southeast Region
- American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, Inc.
- Binney & Smith, Inc. - Crayola Erase It! Fund
- The Carrie E. & Lena V. Glenn Foundation
- Centers for Disease Control
- Constella Group, LLC
- Daimler Chrysler Corporation Fund
- ESA Foundation
- Guidance Channel
- Hecht's/Macy's Department Stores
- National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center
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