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**How Big Is Your Dream?!™ Foundation unites youth in the “No More Blood on Our Hands” movement: Empowering a generation to stand against gang violence**

Lithonia, Ga. – Nov. 25-27 – As communities face an ongoing battle against the heartbreaking impact of gang violence, the How Big Is Your Dream?!™ Foundation, in partnership with the G.R.A.D.E. (Gang Resistance and De-escalation Education) initiative, is stepping forward with a transformative event: *“No More Blood on Our Hands.”* This program is designed to empower young hearts and minds, offering the tools they need to resist the pressures of violence, find their voice, and claim their place as future leaders.

The event runs from November 25-27 during the Thanksgiving break, and calls upon youth ages 10 to 18 to come together, not just to listen, but to share, learn, and rise above the violence that too often tears families and neighborhoods apart. Through art, music, and real-life stories of resilience, participants will find the support they need to face overwhelming pressures head-on. This is not just an event—it’s a movement to reclaim hope.

### Why this matters

Our youth are at the frontlines of this fight. They face daily choices that shape their futures. Through this program, they will not only be given the chance to escape the grip of gang culture but also discover how to turn their pain into power and their struggles into strength. We believe in their potential, and we are here to help them believe in themselves.

### Program highlights

- **Innocent but proven guilty:** Sharing the untold stories of those who have survived wrongful convictions and how they reclaimed their lives.
- **What’s the real deal on gangs and violence:** Shedding light on the hidden truths behind gang culture, and dispelling the dangerous myths that often lure in young minds.
- **It’s about us:** Empowering youth to recognize their roles within their families and communities, knowing that their voices matter and that they are the future.

- **Visual Art: Engaging activities to help youth express their emotions and experiences through creative visual outlets.**

#### **Speakers with a message of hope**

**This event brings together a powerful lineup of speakers—real people with real stories—who will share their journeys of survival, resilience, and ultimately, victory over adversity. Behavioral health specialist Marilyn D.G. Price will help youth process the overwhelming emotions they face every day, while Detective Jermaine Hall will explain the realities of the justice system and why it’s crucial to make informed life choices. Other inspiring voices like DJ G Que will share how setbacks can be transformed into breakthroughs.**

#### **Event Schedule**

- **3 p.m. – 4 p.m.: Drop-off, bonding, and mingling among youth**
- **4:15 p.m. – 5 p.m.: Art Group A**
- **5:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.: Instructor session and Q&A**
- **6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.: Art Group B**
- **7 p.m. – 8 p.m.: Final remarks and event closeout**

#### **About the How Big Is Your Dream?!™ Foundation**

**Founded by drummer and humanitarian Jorel “JFly” Flynn, the How Big Is Your Dream?!™ Foundation has dedicated itself to empowering young artists by transforming their dreams into realities. Through mentorship and education, the foundation gives students the chance to turn their passions into powerful tools for success, showing them that their voices can not only be heard but can change the world.**

**To join us in this life-changing movement, visit [www.howbigisyourdream.org](http://www.howbigisyourdream.org).**

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