FACTS ABOUT GANG INVOLVED YOUTH

The United States is in jeopardy of losing an entire generation of children as a result of gang violence – our children are killing each other. Everyday children between 8 and 18 years old are dying in our streets from gang related violence, fighting over race, ethnicity, group, color, culture, and neighborhood.

GANG INVOLVED YOUTH IN LAS VEGAS

- · 8,000 gang members
- · 550 gangs
- 1,900 gang associates

RISK FACTORS

- · Dysfunctional Home Life
- · Peer Pressure
- · Protection, Security or Survival
- · Intimidation
- To gain, or impose respect
- · Money
- · Relationships
- · Friends & Family
- · Boredom

THE FACTS

- · 1 child dying every 3 seconds
- · 18 children dying every minute
- · Almost 10 million children dying every year
- · 60 million children died between 2000 and 2006

TIPS FOR YOUTH

- · Educate yourself & others
- · Talk about your needs, and ask for help
- · Empower other youth to do the same
- · Get involved in your community
- · Stay in school
- · Be a leader for yourself and others
- · Be part of the solution, do not contribute or condone violence
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