



# Prevent Youth Violence & Related Risk Behaviors

Help every young person grow up safe & thrive as an adult



Examples of **youth violence** include:

Bullying

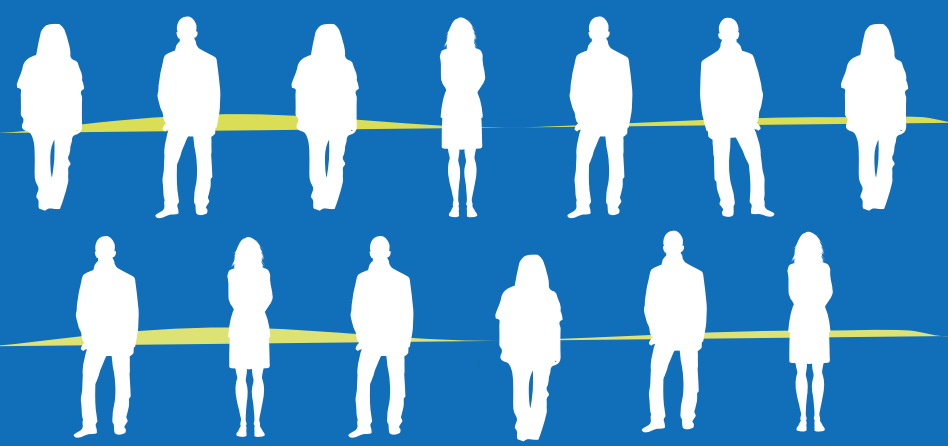
Threats  
with weapons

Fights

Gang-related  
violence

Every day among youth aged 10 to 24:

**13** are victims of  
**homicide.**



**1,100** are treated in  
emergency departments  
for nonfatal **assault-related  
injuries.**



Preventing youth violence is a **priority** for CDC.

Youth violence  
**isn't** inevitable.

It's a public health  
problem that can be  
**stopped before it starts.**

CDC has developed a **technical package**  
to help states and communities use the best-available  
evidence to prevent youth violence.



## 6 Strategies to prevent youth violence from decades of research



Strengthen  
youth's skills



Connect youth  
to caring adults  
and activities



Provide quality  
education  
early in life



Create protective  
community  
environments



Promote family  
environments that  
support healthy  
development



Intervene to  
lessen harms and  
prevent future risk



It is important to **monitor and evaluate**  
your efforts. Findings can be used to inform  
planning and enhance implementation.

**Be part of the solution.**

[www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention](http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention)

Your prevention efforts may involve **developing  
new partnerships & working across sectors.**



**Including:**

Public Health, Government,  
Health Care Services, Social Services,  
Education, Businesses, Justice,  
Housing, Non-Governmental  
Organizations, Foundations

**ACT NOW!**

Use CDC's technical package  
to enhance or expand your prevention efforts.



Find more program planning & implementation resources:

- [cdc.gov/violenceprevention/youthviolence](http://cdc.gov/violenceprevention/youthviolence)
- [vetoviolence.cdc.gov/](http://vetoviolence.cdc.gov/)

