

CDC's Center for Injury Prevention & Control

508 Compliant Text for Videos on Youth Violence Prevention

Video: COLLABORATION Video (2 mins, 19 secs)

Opening scene is of a meeting of people involved in reducing violence. One member seems to be a police officer. Other background scenes are also of various meetings, presumably of people working in collaboration with each other.

No speaker refers to anything shown in the background.

0:01 Speaker: Faith Foreman, Health & Human Services Assistant Director, Houston

None of us have the resources to do it all. And so it's only through the partnership with the community that we're going to really make any improvements in any public health problem, you know, violence or anything that we're approaching.

0:17 Speaker: Suzeth Dunn, Parenting Coordinator, Boston

Coming together, sort of shared values, yes. You're coming from a city agency, I'm coming from the commission, but what do we have in common?

0:24 Speaker: Kelly McMillan, Police Chief, Salinas

It's a stone soup analogy where somebody says, well, I can help with this. And another agency will say I can help with that. The non-profit steps in with something else. And pretty soon we have the makings of a plan to deal with whatever this particular topic is.

0:36 Speaker: Rebecca Stavenjord, Program Director, Portland

And in a lot of cases, you know, you help somebody out, and then they know that they can trust you. You contribute and benefit their project, and then the relationship becomes closer.

0:50 Speaker: Jose Arreola, Coalition Leader, Salinas

Approaching this with a very open mind and being very open to a variety of different views points is very critical to keeping a collaborative moving together.

0:58 Speaker: Sheila Savannah, Program Director, Houston

It's really about a conversation and making sure that residents and youth and families know that they really do have some assets that they bring to the table that can't be brought by public entities.

1:12 Speaker: Abdullah Hafeedh, Community Health, Portland

Talking about the emotions and talking about the actual conditions of the people or the individual who we're trying to assist.

1:18 Speaker: Dwight Myrick, Community Health, Portland

What can we do collectively to make it a better place to live in the community?

1:24 Speaker: Rebecca Stavenjord, Program Director, Portland (2nd time to speak)

That sense of community and connection makes you feel like you're really contributing to something, to a larger conversation regionally. And that type of collaboration, I think, is really rare. And it's something that we have put a lot of work into. And it really benefits the work that we do locally.

1:45 Speaker: Suzeth Dunn, Parenting Coordinator, Boston (2nd time to speak)

So find your shared values, you know, and then from there, you know, work together, you know, as a collective unit for those very same things that you are invested in, believe in.

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