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ACCESS ALLIANCE MULTICULTURAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

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Tel: 416-324-8677, Fax: 416-324-9074

Project Name: Youth Peer Mentoring Program

Project Number: DPCIP10-12

Received Funding: \$33,801

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

Access Alliance Multicultural Health and Community Services' (AAMHCS) Youth Peer Mentoring Program (YPMP) will offer a weekly after school project for 30 immigrant/racialized youth ages 13-16 years living in the Crescent Town and Syme-Woolner neighbourhoods. Activities include outreach, skills building workshops, social and recreational events, and the creation and presentation of youth developed community projects. The goals of the project are to: increase participants' access to programs/support, increase/enhance life-skills, knowledge and capabilities; and to increase youths' community participation and sense of connectedness.

APPLEGROVE COMMUNITY COMPLEX

60 Woodfield Road, Toronto, ON M4L 2W6

Tel: 416-461-8143, Fax: 416-461-5513

Project Name: "Girlz Night Out"

Project Number: DPCIP10-42

Received Funding: \$8,762

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

"Girlz Night Out" will build on the existing Teen Drop-In Program and will focus on the needs of at-risk female youth ages 13 - 15 years. The group will meet weekly and engage in female-only activities and have the opportunity to discuss topics and issues that relate to them. Activities will include workshops, life skills training and physical activities. The goal of "Girls Night Out" is to provide a safe and familiar environment where participants can go to gain strategies, tools, and build self-confidence to help deal with arising issues that female teens may face.

ARTS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

230-401 Richmond Street West, Toronto, ON M5V 3A8

Tel: 416-929-9314, Fax: 416-929-3681

Project Name: The "C" Squared Project: Connecting Community

Project Number: DPCIP10-49

Received Funding: \$34,117

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

Arts for Children and Youth is offering 6 arts educational programs to approximately 140 marginalized young people between the ages of 7 – 20 in Scarborough and Toronto's west end; priority neighbourhoods are receiving free programming. Youth will develop new transferable skills and utilize

their existing abilities to gain a better understanding of themselves and their community in a creative learning environment to become less vulnerable to substance abuse.

DAVENPORT-PERTH NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

1900 Davenport Road, Toronto, ON M6N 1B7

Tel: 416-656-8025, Fax: 416-656-1264

Project Name: Youth Action Squad Young Women's Project

Project Number: DPCIP10-20

Received Funding: \$18,319

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

Davenport-Perth Neighbourhood Center Youth Action Squad for Young Women Project, in partnership with Oakwood Collegiate Institute, will offer an after school youth leadership project for young women ages 14-16. The project provides a forum to discuss relevant issues through workshops, social and arts based programming and group trips. Participants use newly developed skills to run workshops for peers. The overall goal of the project will be to increase young women's self-esteem in relation to identity, knowledge of self and healthy relationships.

DIXON HALL/REGENT PARK FOCUS YOUTH MEDIA ARTS CENTRE

600 Dundas St. E., (Rear Basement), Toronto, ON M5A 2B9

Tel: 416-863-1074, Fax:

Project Name: Making Media Youth Resource Project

Project Number: DPCIP10-59

Received Funding: \$39,403

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

Regent Park Focus' Making Media Youth Resource Project is partnering with 4 local agencies to offer daily summer arts programming and 3 evenings during the school year for 80-90 youth. The 24 week arts project will conclude with a 3 week interactive drug awareness arts program hosted at a local school in Regent Park. The goal is to enhance community partnerships and increase resiliency of children and marginalized young people by providing project participants with opportunities to learn and practice various life skills deemed transferable in a wide range of settings.

FOR YOU TELECARE FAMILY SERVICE INC. (FUTFS)

1133 Leslie St., Suite 211, Toronto, ON M3C 2J6

Tel: 416-447-3535, Fax: 416-447-3535

Project Name: FRIEND (Friendships raise in engagements & networks' development)

Project Number: DPCIP10-16

Received Funding: \$18,739

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

FUTFS will offer youth ages 13-18 from Korean Canadian backgrounds a project to enhance protective factors. The project will assist youth in developing skills and confidence through cooperation and working as a team. Activities include artistic projects such as the production of Compact Disk (CD); other activities are physical in nature that includes break-dancing and a basketball league. Learning the importance of physical activity, healthy eating and body image will build resiliency among youth promote a positive lifestyle, hence avoiding risky behaviours such as drug use. The overall goal of this project is to enhance protective factors and suggest healthier ways to manage their lifestyle.

HARBOURFRONT COMMUNITY CENTRE - CITY OF TORONTO

627 Queens Quay West, Toronto, ON M5V 3G3

Tel: 416-392-1509, Fax: 416-392-1512

Project Name: Wilderness Adventure

Project Number: DPCIP10-40

Received Funding: \$6437

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

Harbourfront Community Centre will target 25 youth (13-16) in delivering an outdoor education project, training two peer facilitators, 14 skills workshops, a retreat for 25 youth and canoeing expedition for 10 youth focusing on first nations traditions/teachings. Peer facilitators will be identified from previous projects based on leadership potential and trained using a tri-mentoring model. Skills workshops, delivered by adult mentors will focus on strengthening intrinsic/extrinsic protective factors aimed at building resiliency, increasing self-esteem and inspiring environmental stewardship. Youth will document their experience and produce an environmental awareness video featured at a community event and submitted to the Toronto Short Films Festival.

HARBOURFRONT COMMUNITY CENTRE - CITY OF TORONTO

627 Queens Quay West, Toronto, ON M5V 3G3

Tel: 416-392-1509, Fax: 416-392-1512

Project Name: Room 13 art studio for children

Project Number: DPCIP10-41

Received Funding: \$19,699

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

Harbourfront Community Centre will offer an art studio management project for 20 vulnerable and/or marginalized children/pre-teens from diverse backgrounds, ages 6-13. Following a resiliency-building model first developed in Scotland in 1994, Room 13 supports children as they develop leadership skills, engage in teamwork, gain peer-based mentoring abilities, participate in conflict resolution, increase self-esteem/personal skills through management of the studio, curriculum and staff. The overall goal of this project is to build at a young age personal resiliency through engagement, supporting the participants' capacity to make healthy choices, reduce the potential risk of drug-related harm and build community partnerships/global networks.

LAKESHORE AREA MULTI-SERVICES PROJECT (LAMP) INC.

185 Fifth Street, Toronto, ON M8V 2Z5

Tel: 416-252-6471, Fax: 416-252-4474

Project Name: Healthier Options for South Etobicoke Teens (HOST)

Project Number: DPCIP10-MY01

Received Funding: \$15,478

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

The Healthier Options for South-Etobicoke Teens (HOST) project will engage approximately 200 marginalized youth ages 14 to 19 from diverse cultural groups, most of who live in co-op or substandard housing. They will engage youth through 26 life skill building workshops; 15 youth leadership and volunteer sessions; 35 outreach activities (including 10 high school workshops); and 20 drop-in sessions. Drug and alcohol information will be integrated into project activities. The focus of the project is to build youth's feelings of competence, leadership and life skills, and strengthen their support network in order to increase their resiliency to harmful substance use.

MAPLE LEAF THEATRE FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (OPERATING AS MIXED COMPANY THEATRE)

201-157 Carlton Street, Toronto, ON M5A 2K3

Tel: 416-515-8080, Fax: 416-515-9251

Project Name: The Compass Project

Project Number: DPCIP10-15

Received Funding: \$11,522

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

Artists in the Mixed Company Theatre - Compass Project will collaborate with approximately 200 youth aged 16-25 who have experience with substance use. Through project activities they will develop an original, interactive, and issue-based play. In partnership with Empowered Student Partnerships (ESP) 8 participants will work with them and perform to 10 youth audiences in priority neighbourhoods across Toronto. The Compass Project will provide opportunities for youth to develop communication skills, community interaction and positive growth. The goal of the project is to empower marginalized youth from diverse backgrounds to find solutions to substance abuse.

NATIVE CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES OF TORONTO

30 College Street, Toronto, ON M5G 1K2

Tel: 416-969-8510, Fax: 416-928-0706

Project Name: Debwewin Project (Aboriginal Youth Drug Prevention)

Project Number: DPCIP10-09

Received Funding: \$26,425

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

Debwewin is a Drug Prevention initiative working with Aboriginal youth ages 14-24 in culturally based outreach programs. Two young people will be trained /mentored to assist staff in reaching at-risk Aboriginal population. Once a group of youth are assembled the program will be implemented; the

same process will occur 4 times over a 28 week period. Workshops will be delivered in the downtown Headquarters office and Scarborough satellite office with the aid of Elders, program staff and community partner representatives. The sessions will utilize a culture based model of addictions awareness and harm reduction that is holistic, integrated and based on the seven (7) Grandfather teachings. Key outcomes will include: improved capacity to deliver culture-based addictions awareness, enhanced awareness of prevention and harm reduction strategies; improved commitment to live healthier lifestyles, increased cultural and community based support through available and accessible treatment resources.

NATIVE CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES OF TORONTO

30 College Street, Toronto, ON M5G 1K2

Tel: 416-969-8510, Fax: 416-928-0706

Project Name: Aboriginal Youth Camp (Debwewin Drug Prevention component)

Project Number: DPCIP10-10

Received Funding: \$6,000

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

The Youth Camp will provide Aboriginal youth between the ages of 14-24 a residential camp experience. The camp will be offered through the summer in two week time periods. Project activities will consist of both social recreational and Aboriginal culture. It will also provide leadership opportunities for those youth who are employed as summer camp counselors and trainees. The overall aim is to assist youth to reconnect with their Aboriginal culture that will guide and foster positive self-esteem and cultural identity. There will be a strong emphasis on traditional healthy lifestyle and harm reduction activities in alignment with the City of Toronto's Drug Prevention and Community Investment initiatives.

NORTH YORK EMERGENCY HOME FOR YOUTH (EVA'S SATELLITE)

215 Spadina Ave., Suite 370, Toronto, ON M5T 2C7

Tel: 416-642-2581, Fax: 416-977-6210

Project Name: Satellite's Peer Outreach Training Project (SPOT)

Project Number: DPCIP10-50

Received Funding: \$30,921

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

Eva's Satellite will provide a drug and alcohol awareness education project for homeless youth, ages 16-24. The project will provide youth engagement, peer training, and employment opportunities for 36 youth, provide three times a week of peer led peer table educational sessions, host two peer facilitated drug and alcohol awareness forums for 150 youth and conduct 6-8 workshops on safer drug use. The anticipated outcomes of the project are increased awareness of the impacts and effects of substance use; an increased uptake of safer substance use strategies; and an increased capacity among homeless youth to provide peer education and support. The overall goal of the project is to reduce drug and alcohol use among homeless youth.

P.A.D. - PARENT ACTION ON DRUGS

7 Hawksdale Road, Toronto, ON M3K 1W3

Tel: 416-395-4970, Fax: 866-591-7685

Project Name: Making Our Voices Heard: Youth to youth approaches to substance abuse

Project Number: DPCIP10-19

Received Funding: \$19,305

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

P.A.D. and Silent Voice will consult with youth who are deaf and hard of hearing about issues related to substance use and resiliency. The project will use a two level Peer leadership approach, training post-secondary deaf facilitators to deliver workshops for senior high school peer educators. As these peer educators plan and deliver workshops for younger students, they will develop messages about their needs and strengths in creative formats. The project's goal is to empower youth through leadership development, opportunities to voice their concerns and share resources, thereby decreasing their social isolation and exclusion from mainstream substance abuse education.

PRISONERS WITH HIV/AIDS SUPPORT ACTION NETWORK (PASAN)

314 Jarvis Street, Suite 100, Toronto, ON M5B 2C5

Tel: 416-920-9567, Fax: 416-920-4314

Project Name: PASAN'S Drop-in

Project Number: DPCIP10-31

Received Funding: \$29,665

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

PASAN operates from a Harm Reduction perspective and proposes to create a drop-in for men, women and trans people who are HIV positive and have been incarcerated and have been or are currently using drugs. Creating trust and accessibility to services that will enhance the quality of life by providing support, education and empowerment for HIV positive people is a critical goal for this project. Needs assessment evaluations have indicated that HIV positive ex prisoners experience issues of isolation, stigma, and discrimination. Building connections between service providers and HIV positive ex-prisoners and enhancing the capacity for both groups to address these issues are key to the success of this program. Community partners will be utilized in order to help clients connect with services for drug users in Toronto.

PRISONERS WITH HIV/AIDS SUPPORT ACTION NETWORK (PASAN)

314 Jarvis Street, Suite 100, Toronto, ON M5B 2C5

Tel: 416-920-9567, Fax: 416-920-4314

Project Name: The Harm Reduction Theatre Troupe Project

Project Number: DPCIP10-23

Received Funding: \$29,462

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

PASAN will continue and enhance the Harm Reduction Theatre Troupe Project for HIV positive women/trans women who use substances, in order to build resiliency, improve services and reduce drug-related harm for this population. The project will coordinate monthly harm reduction groups at PASAN and other hostels/drop-ins, provide one-on-one harm reduction and HIV education and support, perform 8 educational plays, and create a biannual newsletter. The project will provide gender-sensitive harm reduction education with a focus on injection drug use including overdose prevention, safer injecting strategies and vein mapping.

REGENT PARK COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

465 Dundas St. E., Toronto, ON M5A 2B2

Tel: 416-364-2261, Fax: 416-364-0822

Project Name: Community Engagement Project for Substance Users

Project Number: DPCIP10-35

Received Funding: \$4,988

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

Regent Park Community Health Centre will collaborate and partner with Street Health to provide community support and community capacity building activities for people with substance issues. The project is a further development of the Crack Users Project (CUP). The project will offer peer mentoring opportunities that will include co-facilitating workshops on safe drug use, assisting with the development of a needs assessment and outreach strategies that will target clients using substances to reduce the risks associated with drug use. The project demonstrates that community engagement and community capacity building can create pathways to wellness for this population. The overall goal of this project is to engage substance users and to reduce the risks associated with drug use and offer workshops and outreach to high risk substance users.

REXDALE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

8 Taber Road, Toronto, ON M9W 3A4

Tel: 416-744-6312, Fax: 416-744-1881

Project Name: Feeding the Mind, Body And Soul

Project Number: DPCIP10-51

Received Funding: \$15,949

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

Feeding the Mind, Body and Soul is a community integration initiative focused on providing 30 cooking sessions to 20 male youth living in Jamestown/Rexdale. This youth-led project, created in partnership with Rexdale Community Health Centre, Elmbank Community Centre and the Youth Empowering Minds Council, utilizes culinary arts to engage marginalized youth between the ages of 13-18 years to enhance their skills and build resiliency while older youth, 19-24 years, will act as mentors. During the sessions, community leaders, parents and service providers will be invited to facilitate the meal preparation. During the meal sharing, community member will engage youth in discussion around taboo issues facing young men; including life skills, mentoring, finances, building positive relationships, substance abuse, substance misuse, harm reduction, nutrition, health, and active living.

SCADDING COURT COMMUNITY CENTRE INC.

707 Dundas Street West, Toronto, ON M5T 2W6

Tel: 416-392-0335, Fax: 416-392-0340

Project Name: Drug Prevention for Newcomer and 1st Generation Young Women

Project Number: DPCIP10-MY04

Received Funding: \$13,313

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

Scadding Court will address resiliency for under-served low-income, young newcomer & first generation women (ages 11-14) and their families over a period of 2 years. The project will consist of 40 sessions of leadership training and capacity building in health promotion. The young women will also apply their skills as peer leaders through organizing drug prevention events specific to newcomer families focusing on their specific protective factors. The goal is to build upon the assets of newcomer families and young women to address the intersections of settlement stresses and how they interact with risk factors.

SHADOWLAND THEATRE INC.

20 Fifth Street, Ward's Island, Toronto, Toronto, ON M5J 2B9

Tel: 416-203-0946, Fax:

Project Name: Stories of Our Island

Project Number: DPCIP10-29

Received Funding: \$10,509

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

Shadowland Theatre will conduct 30 weekly theatre skills workshops for 10 to 18 year olds with two performance projects; an eight session summer stilt training project for 6 to 18 year olds; a 1 week summer arts camp leading to community production; training and supervision of youth aged 18-20 in establishing a stilt-walking business. The project will target 60 island residents aged 6 to 20. Activities aim to develop and enhance self-esteem, community and individual responsibility, creative thinking and expression and reinforce positive behaviours to increase resilience and protective factors in the prevention of substance abuse.

SKETCH WORKING ARTS FOR STREET INVOLVED & HOMELESS YOUTH

P.O. Box 63, Station B, 119 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, ON M5T 2T2

Tel: 416-516-5428, Fax: 416-516-6286

Project Name: The Media Arts Project

Project Number: DPCIP10-MY02

Received Funding: \$16,874

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

SKETCH's The Media Arts project aims to provide 20 street involved youth with sustained opportunities to work in new media technologies, specifically, film/video production and digital photography. Youth will have opportunities to become computer literate through arts practice (e.g. producing films, photo exhibits, pod casts, short music clips, stop animation, video games etc.) and to market their creations through the internet and other venues. This project will allow youth to have access to the necessary tools and opportunities through staff and contract artists who are expert in this field of activity. Objectives include advancing life and job skills, and providing alternatives to the cycles of use and addiction that is so prevalent in street life.

SKETCH WORKING ARTS FOR STREET INVOLVED & HOMELESS YOUTH

P.O. Box 63, Station B, 119 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, ON M5T 2T2

Tel: 416-516-5428, Fax: 416-516-6286

Project Name: The Music Project

Project Number: DPCIP10-MY03

Received Funding: \$31,029

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

SKETCH will work with up to 55 street-involved and homeless youth aged 15-29 over a period of 12 months through The Music Project which involves youth collaboratively working with SKETCH Project Leaders, peers, and community partners to learn about music creation and production in both live music studio and recording studio settings. The project is building on past projects which have emphasized exploration of issues around drugs, addictions and prevention by using the arts as a platform for communication, youth self-assessment, self-discovery and expression. Objectives include helping youth to advance their life and job skills, and provide alternatives to the cycles of use and addiction that is so prevalent in street life.

SKETCH WORKING ARTS FOR STREET INVOLVED & HOMELESS YOUTH

P.O. Box 63, Station B, 119 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, ON M5T 2T2

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Project Name: SEW What? Textile Program

Project Number: DPCIP10-08

Received Funding: \$33,782

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

SEW What?! is a weekly workshop project that will engage over 70 young people, ages 16-30, that are street involved, homeless or otherwise marginalized, in sewing recycled fabrics into new creations. The focus of these workshops will be design, basic pattern drafting, production, sewing machine operation and finishing of textile creations. Through this focus on a practical "old time craft or trade" participants will enhance their leadership skills, deal with harm reduction strategies for substance use and increase their capacity to manage stress and care for themselves. Participants can create products that will be exhibited and sold to the general public.

SOUTH RIVERDALE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE
955 Queen Street East, Toronto, ON M4M 3P3
Tel: 416-461-3577, Fax: 416-461-8245
Project Name: COUNTERfit Women's Harm Reduction Project
Project Number: DPCIP10-47
Received Funding: \$34,010
Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

South Riverdale Community Health Centre will provide Harm Reduction programming to Illicit Drug Using Women (IDUW) and Sex Workers (SW). The project will expand their Women's Harm Reduction Drop-In with an information/education component, outreach, and extend their work with women who have lost custody of children through Children's Aid Society (CAS) apprehensions, provide workshops about safety, policing and women as well as sexual health, and continue to support women to participate in harm reduction committees and coalitions. The overall goal is to engage IDUW / SW's and improve access to services, safety and community well-being.

ST. ALBAN'S BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB
843 Palmerston Avenue, Toronto, ON M6G 2R8
Tel: 416-534-8461, Fax: 416-534-8860
Project Name: Youth Tube
Project Number: DPCIP10-06
Received Funding: \$24,046
Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

St. Alban's Boys' and Girls' Club will recruit, educate, and support at-risk youth within the community and give them the knowledge and skills to lead a healthy lifestyle. Based on the popular web/video sharing website YouTube, youth will create and post a weekly broadcast called YouthTube. This broadcast will be aired on the monitors at St. Alban's Boys' and Girls' Club and in satellite locations. The youth will participate in weekly workshops to discuss issues around drugs and substance abuse. Once educated on these issues they will work on creating, editing and producing short films, documentaries and PSA's that will be aired. The goal of YouthTube is to bring awareness to youth on the effects of drugs and substance abuse, and inform them of the resources that are available to them and their families.

ST. ALBAN'S BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB/JANE-FINCH
843 Palmerston Avenue, Toronto, ON M6G 2R8
Tel: 416-534-8461, Fax: 416-534-8860
Project Name: Right Track
Project Number: DPCIP10-04
Received Funding: \$23,064
Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

St Alban's Boys' and Girls' Club/Jane and Finch project called "Right Track" will offer weekly workshops for at-risk youth, providing them with the tools and skills to make healthy lifestyle choices. The workshops focus on issues around drugs, alcohol, gangs, and violence. The workshops offer the youth a safe haven to share and discuss their experiences and fears. Through these discussions the youth will then, with the direction of a sound engineer, write, record, edit, and produce the Right Track CD- that will host 10 to 12 songs produced by the youth participants. This CD will be a collection of songs that portray true life stories of the youth participants and the community of Jane and Finch. The overall goal of the Right Track is to provide youth with the skills and tools to make healthy decisions and decrease the percentage of youth involved in drugs and substance abuse.

ST. ALBAN'S BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB/WESTON MT. DENIS

843 Palmerston Avenue, Toronto, ON M6G 2R8

Tel: 416-534-8461, Fax: 416-534-8860

Project Name: Tuned In

Project Number: DPCIP10-05

Received Funding: \$23,399

Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

St Alban's Boys' and Girls' Club /Weston-Mount Denis' "Tuned In" project will engage youth from their community that are at risk of being involved in unhealthy behaviours like drugs, alcohol, gangs and crime/violence. Working with a project coordinator, youth volunteers and community members these young people will be involved in the production of a 10 track CD that provides positive messages on making healthy lifestyle choices. Weekly workshops will be held to discuss issues like drugs and substance abuse. With information learned, coupled with their own life experiences, they will compose songs that will be recorded on the Tune In CD. After the completion of the CD, the youth will coordinate a release party where they will perform their songs live and provide copies of the CD to everyone in attendance. The project goal is to provide the youth an outlet to express their emotions and thoughts in a safe environment and to become advocates for their peers on substance misuse.

ST. CHRISTOPHER HOUSE

248 Ossington Avenue, Toronto, ON M6J 2L8

Tel: 416-532-4828, Fax: 416-532-8739

Project Name: The Writing is on the Wall/Mentorship Project

Project Number: DPCIP10-38

Received Funding: \$15,287

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

St Christopher House's "The Writing Is on the Wall/Mentorship Project" is an 8 week summer project where youth will develop a social marketing campaign utilizing outdoor murals to sensitize the community about risks associated with psychoactive substance use and a weekly mentorship program that runs from September to June. Youth will learn about alcohol, tobacco, cannabis and illicit substances by designing murals in partnership with the Saint Christopher House Graffiti Transformation paint crew. Youth will capture the process on the SCH website and Facebook through a photo log. Youth

mentors, ages 18+, will provide one-on-one support and monthly workshops to youth, ages 13 to 16, at the Shaw library.

ST. CHRISTOPHER HOUSE/PARKDALE

588 Queen St. W., 2nd Fl., Toronto, ON M6J 1E3

Tel: 416-504-3535, Fax: 416-504-3047

Project Name: YEPP -Youth Empowering Parkdale Project

Project Number: DPCIP10-39

Received Funding: \$16,984

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

St Christopher House's "Youth Empowering Parkdale Project" will recruit eight youth from last year's project to be peer mentors to eight new youth. With the support of the youth worker, youth will provide training on the following issues: peer pressure, drug prevention, tobacco, binge drinking, and leadership skills. The youth will meet twice a week to develop 6 theatrical skits focused on the above messages which will be filmed, edited and posted on social networking sites such as YouTube and Facebook. The links to the videos will be posted on St. Christopher House website, and presented in three major youth events throughout the year.

STREET HEALTH COMMUNITY NURSING FOUNDATION

338 Dundas Street East, Toronto, ON M5A 2A1

Tel: 416-921-8668, Fax: 416-921-5233

Project Name: The Community Engagement Project For Substance Users

Project Number: DPCIP10-30

Received Funding: \$19,943

Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

Street Health in collaboration with Regent Park Community Health Centre will offer an integrated model of care for individuals who use substances which includes access to drop-in programming, nursing care, healthy food, housing worker, peer support and program staff. The project anticipates 100 drop-in participants a month. Twelve skills building and educational workshops focusing on disease prevention and access to support and treatment services will be offered. Workshops will be facilitated in partnership with local service providers and will educate 150 participants. Peer workers will link the key population to the project through outreach activities. The project objective is to increase access to health and social services for individuals who use substances and enhance their capacity to minimize high risk behaviours.

THORNCLIFFE NEIGHBOURHOOD OFFICE OF TORONTO FOR SOCIAL & MULTICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

18 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON M4H 1N7

Tel: 416-421-2507, Fax: 416-421-4269

Project Name: Moving Forward

Project Number: DPCIP10-45
Received Funding: \$13,386
Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

The Moving Forward Project will offer vulnerable youth in Thorncliffe and Flemington Park, aged 16-20, a weekly project that promotes health lifestyle choices. The project will incorporate a physical activity component and a skills building component thus fostering mental and physical development. Through the delivery of workshops youth will work on decision making skills, conflict resolution, leadership, team building and making healthy lifestyle choices.

TORONTO HARM REDUCTION TASK FORCE
30 Bond St., Cardinal Carter Wg., 14th Fl., Rm.087, Toronto, ON M5B 1W8
Tel: 647-222-4420, Fax: 416-864-5161
Project Name: Harm Reduction Resources Mapping Project (HRRMP)
Project Number: DPCIP10-18
Received Funding: \$36,154
Project Officer: Herbert Co, Phone Number: 416-338-7946

THRTF's Harm Reduction Resources Mapping Project will engage five users/ex-users to be trained as researchers to interview 100 peer subjects and 20 front line service workers. The project's goal is to identify gaps in Harm Reduction supportive and corollary services directed at users/ex-users. Peer workers will gain skills in collating data, making recommendations, designing and developing effective method to disseminate data; and evaluating the project's impact on agencies/service providers, communities via focus groups and e-surveys.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S THEATRE (LORRAINE KIMSA THEATRE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE)
165 Front Street East, Toronto, ON M5A 3Z4
Tel: 416-363-5131, Fax: 416-363-5136
Project Name: Nomanzland Youth Theatre Project
Project Number: DPCIP10-57
Received Funding: \$26,778
Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

The Nomanzland project will use a strength-based approach to substance misuse utilizing "applied theatre" practice to build resiliency among youth, ages 14 to 25, in the Jane-Finch area. The project is building on the success of its previous year's project with new goals which include recruiting 20 new youth participants; delivering 25 more live performances over two years within school, community and GTA settings; and to increase leadership opportunities for existing members within the arts education, applied theatre and community development fields.

YOUTH ASSISTING YOUTH
401-5734 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON M2M 4E7
Tel: 416-932-1919, Fax: 416-932-1924
Project Name: 3-F (Fun, Fit and Free) Club Group Mentoring Project
Project Number: DPCIP10-56
Received Funding: \$16,747
Project Officer: Joe Rock, Phone Number: 416-338-0902

Youth Assisting Youth will offer a two-hour, 33 weekly after-school project for youth aged 9 to 15. The project will feature youth-specific Health and Wellness workshops complemented by social, recreational and sports activities. Integrated into the program, is a network of prevention workshops that will engage the youth in interesting and pertinent discussions about substance abuse and the importance of nutrition and exercise. Monthly field trips to support the education component will be a key element. The overall goal of this project is to engage and inform youth by providing them with positive alternatives to substance abuse and negative behaviors, while contributing to their individual development.