



# 1999

- Arlington Task Force on Youth formed and recommended:
  - Collect up-to-date data on youth
  - Create a permanent mechanism for citizens and staff to focus on children, youth, and families
- Youth Task Force held Teen Summit and Parent Summit to gather more information.
- Arlington Partnership for Children, Youth and Families formed. Members appointed jointly by School Board and County Board (Shared political responsibility also building on the trust and collaboration formed through the above collaborations.)
- Appointed Diane Smith chair, Mary Ann Moran, vice chair
- Coordinator position established, and Anne Vor der Bruegge hired.



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# 2000

- Data Coordinator position established and amy Graham hired.
- Search Institute's Developmental Assets Framework adopted by the Partnership to guide our work
- Partnership forms 3 work groups to build on information and ideas gathered by the Task Force on Youth:
  - School Readiness and Success
  - Positive Activities and Opportunities for Youth
  - Health and Mental Health Services for children and their families



# 2001

- County and School Boards adopt the Developmental Assets Framework to guide their planning.
- Developmental Assets training for County and School officials and staff, as well as training for Community Leaders.
- YRBS and Assets surveys administered for the first time to approximately 3400 teens.
- Partnership Work Group process makes recommendations:
  - 21 focus groups help – 8 parent and 13 teen groups - to vet the proposed recommendations.



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# 2002

- Data committee looks at the teen alcohol use and age of first use.
  - Youth Voice Forum held to focus on amplifying youth voice.
  - Assets Liaison Mary Ann Moran hired.
  - Teens and Partnership members plan and develop the Teen Network Board – TNB.
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# 2003

- Teens appointed by the School and County Boards to the TNB – initial focus on: More things to do, improving cafeteria food, and Helping immigrant families.
- Skate Park planning with teens begins (PRCR)
- 2nd Assets Survey – baseline data – Listening to Young People report.
- PAL Program (anti-bullying) launched by PRCR and APS.
- First Community Report Card
- Connect with Kids campaign developed and launched
- Get Real Calendar launched – Kim Jackson hired
- 4 DHS mental health workers located in APS
- Sharon Davis and Linda Henderson appointed chair and vice-chair of Partnership



# 2004

- Community Report Card Process – 16 priority indicators chosen
- 2nd YRBS Survey
- Partnership Foundation Formed and granted 501 c3 status
- First Ballston Teen Day
- TNB works to develop the Job Spot – employment for teens
- Too Smart to Start (TSTS) in every elementary school
- APS MS Activities Coordinators hired full time - recommendation response
- First Youth Film Festival –partnered with Arlington Independent Media (AIM).
- Early Childhood Committee formed
- Mental Health /Depression Community Forum



# 2005

- Teens involved in a Teen Transit meeting.
- 21<sup>st</sup> century grant awarded to Carlin Springs – Anne Vor der Bruegge coordinator.
- Teen Portal Launched, Web designer established and hired Stephanie Kriner.
- Communities of Concern forum held to focus on teen alcohol use prevention.
- Brochures for parents focused on preventing risk behaviors (using YRBS data) are printed and distributed in Spanish and English.
- Gang prevention brochure mailed to all 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade families.
- First “What to Expect when You’re Expecting a Teen” workshops at each middle school.
- Partnership sponsors Deborah Roffman – “Sex and Sensibility”.



# 2006

- Teen Clinic opens
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assets Survey
- Judy Hadden receives DHS Community Award
- Raising Teens/Fortaleciendo la Familia series of TV shows produced with AIM
- Parent Education Network formed with Cheryl Fuentes
- TNB Committees are working on stress, parent/teen communication, teen events and activities.
- Carlin Springs Community School wins national award.





# 2007

- Work with Family Networks and PTAs to coordinate workshops for parents
- Work with Start Strong and Smart Beginnings
- Second series of Raising Teens – handbook developed
- 3<sup>rd</sup> YRBS survey administered
- Community Report Card published
- 5<sup>th</sup> Arlington Youth Film Festival
- Second 21<sup>st</sup> Century grant awarded to Carlin Springs



# 2008

- Partner with Communities of Concern - APS joins Communities of Concern
- TNB Strategic Planning Committee (teens and adults) develops recommendations for TNB structure and “operations”.
- Marketing Campaign for Teen Portal: [arlingtonteens.com](http://arlingtonteens.com)
- Teen Portal adds videos, blogs and polls
- Teen Alcohol Prevention (READY) Coalition formed
- Teen Network Board was under Parks & Recreation Office for Teens



# 2009

- 4<sup>th</sup> Developmental Assets Survey.
- First time school specific Assets survey data reported.
- Six Connect with Kids Champions honored.
- APCYF/READY receives \$625,000 Drug Free Communities grant.
- READY Coalition Coordinator Position established and Kate McCauley hired.
- Project PEACE, Goal 1 Prevention Committee formed to focus on dating violence.
- Out-of-School Time Council begins.
- Sponsor Deborah Roffman - Sex and Sensibility speaker
  - Faith Community Assets Conversation.



# 2010

- Youth Outreach Specialist Position established, and Siobhan Grayson hired.
- 4<sup>th</sup> YRBS Survey – new questions added re: teen dating violence and perception of harm
- 2010-11 - 15 CWK Champions named
- Community Conversation at Marymount: Becoming and Asset Building Community.
- TNB retreat and restructuring process.
- Partnership partners with MAPP (Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships) process – preventing high risk drinking and reducing sexually transmitted illnesses. Survey data used for these projects



# 2011

- Arlington Community Report Card published.
- Community Report Card Goal-Setting Process and Community Engagement Process.
- Second Chance program was created and implemented based on the MAPP process and data around binge drinking.
- "Race to Nowhere" panel and follow-up community conversations held in partnership with Kenmore PTA.
- Project PEACE Goal 1 makes cultural shift from dating violence to healthy dating relationships.



# 2012

- Assets Survey administered in March.
- APS Strategic Plan includes Developmental Assets in Goal 5: The Whole Child.
- Teen Network Board wins Myth Busters Award from VHC and Mystics Basketball Team.
- READY Coalition hosts two Town Halls, puts banners in the high schools.
- Out-of-School Time (OST) Council is appointed.
- Collaborated with the Out-of-School Time (OST) Council on Assets-based OST conference.
- Mary Ann Moran Retires, Michael Swisher is hired as Assets Liaison.



# 2013

- Care for a Change (CFAC) initiative begins based on Community Engagement.
- Teen Network Board (TNB) hosts a Town Hall around *Bully, The Movie* including people from the CFAC initiative.
- TNB receives a Youth Philanthropy Initiative Grant 2013 for the Volunteer Emergency Situation Team program, piloting at Yorktown.
- Out of School Time Council administers an access survey to the community.
- Asset Trainings/Conferences for the community, three in April and one in October.
- CFAC supports the Anti-Gang Task Force Soccer Tournament with Table Top Discussions at lunch



# 2014

- Revise and renew APCYF Vision, Mission and Charter.
- Create Roles and Responsibilities for members to sign.
- Focus on outreach including: Nauck Day, Clarendon Day, Latino Americano Festival, Scholar's Cup Mini Golf Tournament, Independent Living Fair, Red Ribbon Week at the schools, and at College Night and High School Information Night, the Teen Volunteer Fair, Gang Task Force Soccer Tournament, Middle School Information Night, among others.
- Out-of-School Time (OST) Council held its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Assets Conference with 180 participants, 25 workshops, of which half were led or co-led by youth.
- Published Community Report Card.
- TNB created a PSA for World AIDS Day.
- Lose the DFC Grant and funding for the READY Coalition, but the Coalition remains vibrant.
- APS cuts the Full Time Data Specialist from their budget.





# 2015

- Report Card Roll-Out and Community Engagement continues.
  - Held Community Engagement Forum and subsequent meetings for each of the priority groups.
- Celebrated 10 years of Connect with Kids Champions with 97 people recognized at an event with hundreds of people in attendance.
- Administered the Developmental Assets Survey.
- Advocated for the restoration of the Data Specialist, restored at part-time, Rebecca Hjelm hired.
- Started sending a periodic newsletter to community.
- Applied for a Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth grant around Childhood Obesity for a Healthy Communities Action Team (HCAT) through the APCYF Foundation.
- Held a Community Conversation on Stress with over 60 youth and adults in attendance.



# 2016

- Teens received Arlington Magazine's "Best of 2016" as stellar youth program.
- READY Coalition reformed as a 501c3.
- Community Conversation: Substance Use with 60 youth and adults in attendance.
- Held the Arlington All In! Conference with 267 attendees and 12 sessions focused on Mental Health & Wellness.
- Community Conversation: APS, SROs and You with 56 parents, youth and police officers in attendance.
- Healthy Communities Action Team (HCAT) Grant Awarded.
- Began "Let's Talk about Race" series with 93 participants registered and 5 sessions planned.



# 2017

- Let's Talk about Race continues with 3 sessions and an average of 75 participants per session.
- Hosted the Week of Parent Chats March 18 – 26.
- World According to Our Kids meeting with 73 participants to hear about the data from the YRBS.
- Continue the YRBS Data Roll-Out reaching 750 people Aug – November.
- Teens at Wakefield host Mental Health Symposium.
- First effort to demonstrate our reach in the community shows that in FY2016 shows:
  - 78 workshops or presentations with 2,559 people reached
  - 151 regular monthly meetings or 12 meetings a month
  - 12,085 website visits
  - 496 Facebook Friends



# 2018

- Supported the Child Care Initiative by providing feedback to the process and attending monthly and quarterly meetings.
- Supported the Destination 2027 process through monthly and quarterly meetings.
- Participated in 3 conversations with the Community Progress Network on Education, Housing and Health. Staff helped facilitate meetings.
- Created a new award to go along with the Connect with Kids award - The **Do For Kids** Award to draw attention to adults whose work supports kids.
- Collaborated with APS to combine three surveys to create the Your Voice Matters survey to administer instead of the Developmental Assets Survey.
- Use Facebook to promote LUV Listens through a video featuring Kim and Michael.



# 2019

- Shared Your Voice Matters Data by school to parents, staff, students and the community.
- Continue to refine the Your Voice Matters survey tool through focus groups with students, staff and parents.
- Supporting and participating in the Project PEACE event “Being Men Raising Men”
- Work with Destination 2027 committee to roll out their report with the Community Report, both of which focus on health equity in Arlington.
- Hosted a showing of the films ANGST to promote mental health and wellbeing to a full audience of parents and youth at the Central Library.
- Several APCYF members author articles for ArINow on Mental Health, Child Care, and Childhood Hunger.