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YouthBuild Providence Organization Overview Script

YouthBuild Providence in Providence, RI provides young people with opportunities for positive life choices and experiences, and helps them become mentally and morally empowered to accept responsibility for themselves, their families and their communities.

Through an innovative student-centered curriculum that integrates construction training, academic courses, and personal and professional development seminars, YouthBuild Providence trainees gain a relevant skill foundation on which to build a more solid future.

Ismael: YouthBuild is special to me because it's like a family environment and they encourage you to do better and make you a better person

Leslie: I like YouthBuild better than any other traditional school because the teachers here they really work with you one on one. If you don't understand something they're willing to keep working with you until you understand and get it.

Justin: So, what makes YouthBuild different than any other schools is the teachers. The teachers they don't teach you traditional things; they teach you things to actually survive and actually things you need to know in order to make it somewhere

As a community, we are engaged in a united struggle to overcome the social, political, environmental, economic, educational and spiritual inequities that threaten to destroy us as people.

We recognize that as young people, we are one of the greatest resources available to the survival of our community.

Therefore, we stand ready and willing and hereby pledge our commitment:

To rebuild and improve the quality of life in our community through collective work, environmental responsibility, and cooperative economics.

To educate, elevate, and raise the consciousness of ourselves and others along the way.

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To develop our potential as leaders and positive role models so we can proactively pursue justice, equality, and peace for all.

All this we do with appreciation, love, dignity, respect, and faith that the collective will of the community is the greatest force conceivable.