

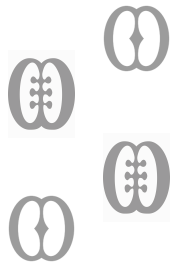
# LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

TWP fosters leadership skills among youth through opportunities like the Virginia Youth Poet Laureate Program and participation in advocacy events like Youth Advocacy Day with Moms Demand Action, empowering them to engage with policymakers and drive meaningful change.



# YOUTH EMPOWERMENT & RESILIENCE

Through programs like Healing Circles, Mental Health First Aider training, and the Better Choices intervention program, TWP has equipped young people with the tools and support necessary to navigate challenging life situations and build resilience.



# ARTISTIC EXPRESSION & ADVOCACY

TWP's creative arts programs, including poetry collectives and anthologies like "Creative Tongues," provide a platform for youth to express themselves, share their stories, and advocate for change on issues such as gun violence and social justice.



# COMMUNITY IMPACT

Teens With a Purpose has directly addressed food scarcity issues in Norfolk through initiatives like the Purpose Park Community Garden and community fridges, ensuring hundreds of individuals have access to fresh produce and ready-to-eat meals.



**FUSE FEST '24**  
AUGUST 3RD, 2024

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## TEENS WITH A PURPOSE

EMPOWERING YOUTH  
TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

Teens Creatively Cultivating  
the Next Generation of Leaders

For Middle  
& High School Aged (12-18)

FREE TO ATTEND, REGISTRATION  
REQUIRED  
MEALS INCLUDED

# ABOUT US

## TEENS WITH A PURPOSE

### OUR MISSION

To create a platform that empowers young people to use their voice, creativity, reflection and action to affect personal growth, transform lives and impact communities.

### OUR PROGRAMS & APPROACH

TWP is deeply rooted in youth VOICE, literacy, artistic expression and community ensuring everyone has a safe, inclusive space available to them continuously. Bridging divides we help youth become informed, empowered and motivated to learn. Here young people are challenged to use their creativity to make a positive impact on their peers & community.

### Teens, Creatively Cultivating the Next Generation of Leaders!

Teens With a Purpose fosters community change-makers. Through creating beautiful spaces, promoting environmental stewardship, and nurturing peace and hope, we cultivate a new generation of leaders. Our focus is on at-promise youth .



**FUSE FEST '24**  
**PLANET HOPE**  
ORBITING DREAMS  
BUILDING OUR NEW REALITY  
**AUGUST 3RD, 2024**  
PURPOSE PARK

## SUMMER PROGRAMS '24 BETTER CHOICES

Striving for positive behavioral transformation through a restorative justice lens, our program integrates leading change theory and motivation tools. Engaging in arts, nature-based activities, and interactive journaling sessions facilitated by certified Public Safety Professionals, alongside peer mentorship, fosters growth.

Topics include responsible behavior and handling complicated feelings. *Participants have the opportunity to earn a monetary incentive upon program completion.*

**SUMMER SESSION: Eight Weeks on Fridays 10 am -1 pm, June 14th-Aug 2nd.**

### HIPTERN

#### Holistic Health Internship Program

Teens are Learners and are co-creators of knowledge. The program aims to beautify a blighted community and help HIPTerns become teachers, leaders, and learners. Through collective work, shared resources, and valuing every person as essential to the health and well-being of the community, HIPTerns learn to model the power of collaboration.



Topics covered include plant care, horticulture, health and nutrition, place making. *Participants have the opportunity to earn a monetary incentive.*

**SUMMER SESSION: Eight Weeks on Saturdays 9 am to 1 pm, June 15th-Aug 3rd.**

## PLANET HOPE TEEN SUMMER EXPERIENCE

A full circle experience of fun, exploration, and innovation

4 day summer experiences, 8:30am-4:30pm



### Planet Hope, June 10th - June 13th

Explore and play in nature from the city to the shores, farm to table culinary experiences, environmental preservation

### Creative Haven June 17th - June 21st

Youth-led place making where youth will restore and recreate public art in Purpose Place and throughout the community. Working with celebrated local Black artists.

### Hear This! June 24th - June 27th

Youth explore their voice to effect change as leaders and activists (creating songs poems and movement with soca, merengue, hip hop)

### Take it to the Streets July 1st - July 5th

Discover the power of youth voice through spoken word + performance arts

### Get Fresh July 8th - July 11th

Planet friendly fashion and jewelry making with a Fashion show & Photoshoot

### Rhyme & Rhapsody , July 15th-July 18th

Opera for Us introduces opera with a hip hop spin includes performance - writing, singing and filming.

**FUSE FEST August 3rd, 2024**