

COMMUNITY YOUTH FORUM



GLENS FALLS, N.Y.

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FUTURE HOPES FOR PRESENT ISSUES

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In the year 2000.....

There will be stricter government regulations on the availability of drugs so people, mainly teenagers, cannot get hold of them as easily.

Inflation will be controlled enough so that the world economy will be stable. This will be dependent on many things: unemployment, world trade, and evenly spread technology and wealth.

Starvation_ There will be enough food for everybody; to achieve this people should not waste their food supply like they are doing now.

We will find new and better ways to prevent overpopulation; ie. encouraging people to use contraceptives and sterilization after two children are born. We also hope to increase the safety of birth control pills.

Unemployment will only be at the level of only 2% or less due to better training for specified jobs.

Racial prejudice will be cut down considerably so there will be more peace, communication and fairness between people in the world.

Crime will be lessened and punishment strengthened. People will realize the change. Everyone will be effected.

In the later years we will find a source of energy which will be less expensive and less polluting.

World peace will be attained by all nations of the world, thus eliminating the threat of nuclear wars and the need for protection. This can be done by signing treaties by all nations.

More people will get interested in education and will work towards their goal. Schools will give out more scholarships.

CHALLENGE STATEMENTS

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ENVIRONMENT

In the arena of air pollution, PBC's, littering the following blocks: too much money is needed to prevent damage and people don't care, factories fear drop in profits indicate our major challenge to be to clean up the area, force factories to comply with laws, enforce littering fines. This has been illustrated recently by PBC's, dumpsite, local factories, improper facilities for trash.

EDUCATION

In the arena of education the following blocks: teachers and students don't care about school indicate our major challenge to be reducing the many restrictions that are placed on students and teachers. This has been illustrated recently by rules set by the school board.

COMMUNICATION

In the arena of communication the following blocks: people can't talk about it, indicate our major challenge to be lack of communication- parents and youth have different morals and they are afraid to talk about certain things. This has been illustrated recently by : no student representation, the generation gap, less explanation between youth and adults about things like drugs, alcohol, etc.

GOVERNMENT

In the arena of government the following blocks: governments are in it for themselves, people don't care or if they do they don't act upon the issues, there is no unity in the community indicate our major challenge to be to stand up and be heard and to force the government act on things that need to be done. This has been illustrated recently by the obvious problems that have not been dealt with like, no parking for the civic center, bad roads, corruption in politics, and wild dogs running loose.

SPARE TIME ACTIVITIES

In the arena of spare time activities the following blocks: lack of unification in the city indicate our major challenges to be people following the crowd and not using good judgment, there is a lack of activities provided by city, and the availability of drugs and alcohol.

PROPOSAL STATEMENTS

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EDUCATION

We propose to change restrictions on students and teachers by going to the School Board meetings with students and teachers on school board in order to help make school life better.

1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week
1. Go to principal 2. Go to district principal 3. Get parents involved	4. go to School board meeting	5. Petition rules 6. Boycott rules	7. Campaign to put students on school board If all else fails lynch principal & burn school (ha ha)

FUNDS FOR SCHOOL SPORTS

We propose to obtain funds for school sports in order to have more sports equipment and advisors.

1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week
Organize youth groups through churches	Discuss and plan for a car wash to raise money	Gather equipment and put out PR materials	Have the car wash Get and divide the money

proposal statements

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SPARE TIME ACTIVITIES

We propose to form interest groups for youth, for example jogging shopping, etc., in order to cut down on boredom and unoccupied free time.

1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week
Establish leaders	Advertise in newspapers & radio	Hold a general meeting in the middle of the week	Start the groups
Ways to advertise	Activity flyer	Establish groups & chairmen routes (jogging)	
Get chaperones	Church bulletins	Establish a meeting time	
Decide meeting place	School bulletins		

COMMUNICATION

We propose to have representatives of parents and students in school and government boards and councils in order to show point of view and to be able to accomplish our goals.

1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week
Inform school & government of plan	Give petition to officials	Have elections of students and parents	Representatives meet with officials
Have people sign petitions	Put pressure on officials by getting people to respond	Have a general meeting	Make decisions

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We propose to involve the public through the schools in order to get a permanent clean-up campaign.

1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week
Form a committee Form a plan of action Make a proposal to city council Make a proposal to school board	Plan fund raising projects Involve people through publicity	Do planned projects to obtain funds for clean up Get support from recycling companies	First initial clean-up

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