

VIOLENCE PREVENTION COALITION OF BEDFORD

Program Review from January 1998

Community Education Initiatives

“Keeping the Peace” monthly series in Bedford Minuteman since 1997
Brochures for Bedford Day, logo magnets, and other educational materials since 1997
Open Forum with Police Chief, begun October 2001 and continued 10/02 and 11/03
No Place for Hate community designation in May 2002 and annual recertification until November 2007
Business Diversity Training, begun May 2002 and ongoing
Human Relations Roundtable with Police Chief and community groups, April 2004 and February 2005
Civil Discourse Guidelines adopted, May 2004
“Guide to a Successful Neighborhood” Block Party Guide developed, September 2008

June 1998	Training for VPC group at Gov. Dummer Academy (5)
December 1998	June training follow up in Northampton
6/98 to 12/99	Community Volunteer Training through police & YFS
April 1999	Domestic Violence & the Law luncheon series for public
May 1999	“Safe Schools” video review for VPC members
9/99 to 5/00	Community Covenant with signatures collected & printed
June 2000	Gunlock distribution & community education
September 2000	Peaceful World poster contest at Bedford Day
September 2001	Peaceful World book covers distributed JGMS
September 2006	Faces of Bedford Family Photo Exhibit

Programs

June 1998	“Yellow Dress” for JGMS & community
May 1999	“Red Tide” for BHS grades 11 & 12
February 2000	“Boys Will Be Boys: Breaking the Link...” for public (Myriam Miedzian)
March 2000	“Remote Control” for JGMS grades 7 & 8
February 2001	“Doin’ the Right Thing” for JGMS grades 6
October 2001	“Doin’ the Right Thing” for JGMS grade 6
April 2002	“The Young & the Ruthless: Youth and School Violence” (James Alan Fox)
May & June 2002	The Business Imperative for Diversity training
Jan to March 2003	“Violence: Real Stories & Cool Poses” discussion series
November 2004	Business Diversity Training
April 2006	Internet Safety with Ass. DA Nora Mann for public and youth
May 2006	Raising Girls with Shannon O’Brien for public
October 2006	“Sugar and Spice and No Longer Nice” with Deborah Prothrow-Stith
November 2006	Business Diversity training with Michelle Hirsch, Whole Foods
November 2008	“Genocide: Then and Now – A Historical and Legal Perspective”

Grants Awarded

6/98	Training at Governor Dummer Academy	MVPTF/Medical Foundation	Training for 5 VPC members \$1000
6/98	Yellow Dress	CHNA 15/ DPH	\$1200
5/99	Red Tide	CHNA 15/ DPH	\$1500*
2/00	“Boys Will Be Boys”	local groups	\$1000
3/00	Remote Control	CHNA 15/ DPH	*
2/01	Doin’ the Right Thing	CHNA 15/ DPH	\$1300**
5/01	Diversity Training	ADL	\$1000
10/01	Doin’ the Right Thing	CHNA 15/ DPH	**
2/06	Faces of Bedford	ADL	\$940
6/06	Faces of Bedford	Cultural Council	\$350
2/08	Faces of Bedford	Cultural Council	\$300

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