The world is full of violence. It’s all around us no matter where you may be. I’m not trying to scare you, but it’s true. It will affect anyone: rich, poor, smart or dumb. It won’t matter who you are; it’s everywhere.

Violence affected my life in my education. One day in elementary school, I was in music class. As we were leaving my friend pushed me so I replied with another push. Then a fight began. Not withstanding the fact that I won the fight and didn’t get suspended, I did lose the respect of my teacher. I didn’t get honor roll and my mom later found out about the fight and I got punished. The smallest bit of violence can have a big effect on a person.

Some causes of youth violence could be if a person joins a gang. They can get in trouble in many and different ways. There’s a chance of being in a gunfight, being framed for a crime, losing a life or going to prison. Many other things like drug dealing, fights in schools, alcohol and video games like Grand Theft Auto can cause youth violence. Games that involve shooting, killing and more can cause people to act the same way as the video game characters. That’s when people start to enjoy the violence and become known to the world as a killer.

It can all be different, the violence in this world can go all away if we all act up, stand tall to help stop it. You may be thinking kids like me are playing these violent games. Well I do, but at least it doesn’t show up in my community. I play the games but people would still not see me doing all those stuff. People can try doing what people like me do. Like when my friend had weed and asked me to join, but I said no with no hesitation. It can go like this with gangs, drugs and many other causes of violence.

If millions and I can do it, people like you can also do it.