Do the Right Thing Challenge 2013

Violence

In my whole life I have seen some violence. I experienced little violence because I always try my best to avoid it. I do not like it and I am sure that many people do not like it either. The violence has affected me in both good and bad ways. What I think causes youth violence is that there are not that many people willing to help, and people around them may negatively affect other people. People are not learning enough and not enough care from people.

People not helping each other is a cause because that leaves the person that needs help in a situation that he or she does not know what to do. It will lead to violence because that is the only option for helpless people to survive. Next people can negatively influence others. There will always be bad people and there is nothing that anyone can do. You can get rid of them but there will be others that take their spots as time goes on. People like drug dealers will negatively affect others and also gangs will too. I think people do not want to be bad. I think that they are forced to because of their current problems. For example they may have no money.

One way that this can be fixed is that get more people involved that will support others and help them get there life back on track. What violence is, is an action that causes harm to another person because of their problems or current situation such as anger and confusion. Violence is everywhere and happens every day. Most violence happens at homes where there are sometimes abuses from people, in inner cities where there are gangs, and schools where there are bullies. People may be violent because they want revenge on someone but they are doing to others because those people represent their fear. Violent people sometimes commit suicide because they are in a difficult time or in an emotional distress. What I can do about youth violence is nothing, because I am too young to anything. All I can do now is just write about youth violence and give my view on the topic. Only people with power can change the world. Maybe in the future I can do more to prevent youth violence. A place of violence is Lawrence for example. The city has high crime rate, a weak public school system and a high unemployment. A
story I have a read named *The Father Father* By Neil Porter Brown from Harvard Magazine has this specific quote that stood out to me the most.

""The gunshots O’Brien heard from the rectory resulted in a double murder. He walked outside that night to find, a block away, two people in their twenties lying dead in the street, each shot in the head.

"Those people are dead with their brains splashed on the ground because someone got so angry that they became violent," "We are measurably, without any question, dissolving into more and more violent anger.....It has to stop because it is evil.""

From this quote I can infer that Lawrence is a violent city. Not everyone there is violent, there are people there like Father O’Brien trying to get rid of the violence. This stood out to me the most because it tells about the death of two people dying from people that angry. Earth needs more people like Father O’Brien. All I can say is that the world can be a better place without violence. The world is not bad but it just has bad people. I feel bad for the good people who will have to suffer from this too. Violence is cured through love and compassion if only there was any left in the world.