The way violence has affected me is by hurting the people around me. Some of my family members have been put in jail or prison because of violence. Many of them use weapons to cause this violence; many of them have also had weapons pulled on them. Most of my family members don’t learn their lesson from their actions. Maybe they don’t understand who loves them at home, and that they care about them and what they do. When I look at the ways violence has affected my family it makes me very sad, it makes me wonder if they really care about how many people they hurt when they do these types of things. I love my family very much and I don’t want them to get hurt or be hurt. My aunt has gotten her neck sliced open because of the choices she make, and the people she hang around. When this happened I was very angry because I felt like she can prevent this from happening, so I felt like I was her fault. So I really didn’t have any sympathy for her.

This violent experience happened because of the choices she made and the people she hung around. Most violence nowadays is caused by disagreements or petty fights! When you’re already arguing that sometimes cause you to want to do something physically and no longer verbally. So once you throw the first hit you’re already being “violent”. Sometimes all the fights aren’t fist fights some fights, there might be weapons pulled out.

My community could have ignored arguments, but when the violence gets to the point where their fighting keep your distance and make sure u call the police if someone gets hurt. If it has nothing to really do with you then I think you should mind your business. When u see or hear something violent you should call the police and then make sure no one is dead, and don’t go near the violence. The only real way to stop violence between young people is take away all the knives, guns etc. If you do that that’s a start, because they no longer have something to make them feel and think big. Because when you have weapons on u during a fight you feel real big cause you already know you’re going to when this fight or you may “think “that you might know what the other person got on them. When you’re young and you use violence as your answer to life, then u have something in your heart that’s bothering you to make you this angry. The main thing I can do about violence is stay out of it.