Do the right thing

**Youth violence**

My thoughts, opinions, and experiences about youth violence are sad. I think gangs and cool kids need to think before they act. They hurt lots of people by randomly killing or shooting off guns. Gangs killing people is so wrong. Girls, boys, women, and men die each day for no reason. One of my recent witness of a killing was outside my home where a guy was stabbed to death and layed out on the sidewalk. It was very sad the innocent man had his life taken away by some wanna be thug. The man that stabbed him left him there to die. Youth violence needs to stop because it makes our community look unprofessional.

Gang members need to stop being self-minded and ignorant. Gangs need to think about how life for kids would be like growing up and how it affects them. They can't just kill for the moment they have to think what am I doing? Is this what I want? Gangs need to make better choices in and with life because they can do something real big & go to prison for an extremely long time. Say if they
make the choice to murder little kids, they are going to jail for a very long time... long time period. Gang members should give up that wanna be thug life and do something productive because that thug insignificant life ain't gonna get you somewhere good but prison or jail. Gang members need to stop killing and smoking weed, it's gonna mess up their life. If gangs really wanted to they could change their life around. They can be better than what they are now.

When gangs randomly kill people it is just not right at all like they kill kids. Everyday on the news, you hear of a killing that just recently happened and they caught a bad person that did it. Girls, boys, women, and men get killed every single day by gangs and that's very heartbreaking and especially the family's. When a gang member is high or drunk, they tend to have the feeling to kill elderly or even unstable people / pedestrians. Also as little kids come into our world, its a bad influence for them to see or hear about shooting and killing. Also affects how people live, gang members may hurt somebody so bad that they can be in a wheelchair for the rest of his or her life. It would be awesome to not have any randomizing killing
or injuring to people that be chillin and are innocent.

Youth violence affected me because I feel very protective of my little sister Shaquilla. I love her so much and don't wanna lose her so if anybody mess with her or a boy my age touches her, I'm gonna get mad and start swinging on them. Even though my sister can be a pain and touch my things, I can't lose my baby sister and there's no way I will never defend her. Anytime she has a problem, I tell her to talk to me and I would handle the situation. Shaquilla is that best sister I will always have.

Youth violence needs to stop because it makes our community look unproffetional. Gang members need to stop and think about being selfish-minded and ignorant and if anything, they need to be pointing the gun at each other or themselves. They shouldn't be killing or jumping people that didn't do anything to them. After the murder I witnessed outside my home, I'm very protective of my little sister.