Make it stop.

I knew a boy from before who everyone thought was happy. That was until his parents divorced. His father left with one sibling but left him and his brother. He started to change and he was changing a lot in his life even though he didn't know it was taking a turn for the worst. The worst part is the people who loved him didn't notice until it was too late.

Now a few years later this boy is entering his teen years. He has moved to a new place. The turn he took led him to something horrible... A gang. A gang he now belongs to. Everyone has now seen the problem at hand. They see the problem that has been growing before their eyes. The sorrow and worry in his mother's eyes bold. His mother wants to deny her son is doing bad. She wants to deny her child is in a gang.

Soon court orders are building up. House arrest and times in jail are taking its toll. The mother can't stand it. She begs for her son to stop. He pushes her away forcefully. Time goes by, she has more and more bruises violence is now in her life. She is now back with her ex. She is hoping this will help their son. He gets worse, now destined to a long time in jail. He no longer loves his father. His hate has grown and built over the time, when violence grabs you, it's hard to make it let go.
Violence comes in many forms and sizes. It can be as small as a fight for a pencil to as big as a shooting in a school or on a street. You never know or neighbor, anyone could be a tormentor. Violence is all over and many people you know have it in their lives. Every day a life is lost because of violence. Bullying, gangs, murderers are all types of people who do violence. But the innocent can also become a victim or perpetrator of violence because of something that was done to them. Many things can cause violence, like past life trauma, being bullied and divorce.

It's time to put an end to this. The way to start is to first: Open your eyes to the dilemma. Second: Acknowledge and own the situation. Last but not least: Do something about it. This sometimes might involve calling the police. Even if it involves exposing what the victim told you not to stop and clear acts of violence out of your family. Talk to your family's friends, about violence. Show them that is no need to start violence and to try end prevent it at all costs.