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Do The Right Thing Essay

How has violence affected my life? Violence affected my life because it causes me to be aware of the people I call "Friends", who I count on, and who I began to trust. Violence also affected my life because I don't feel comfortable being outside without a fight or shooting happening. When I was a little girl, I lived in the Mission Projects. Usually there would be men fighting and shooting near my house. It causes me now not to go outside a lot, even though i moved. I honestly don't really do anything because you never know what may happen. Another reason why violence affected my life is because it causes me to be scared to take the bus at night. You never know what can happen, nowhere is safe. I hate violence! I hate seeing or hearing about violence on the news .It makes me want to switch the channel, but instead I wonder why can't the world work together, be peaceful and stop violence? Violence also affected my life because it causes me to be cautious of where I go because I possibly can get jumped by people that don't like me. Violence can happen at anytime and anyplace. This is how violence has affected my life.

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What are causes of youth violence? Drama is one of the cause of youth violence. It causes fighting. If you're a gang member, It can cause youth violence. It cause youth violence because people can get killed, and sell drugs. Stealing is a cause of youth violence. It's a crime. When you break a law, you get consequences. That's also a crime too. Fighting over boys is a cause of youth violence. A drug is a cause of youth violence. Drugs are illegal and if you break a law you possibly can get arrested. Drugs also can ruin your health. You can die because of drugs. Alcohol is also a cause of youth violence. If you're not twenty one and over you breaking a law drinking liquor. These are some common cause of youth violence.

What can I do about youth violence? What I could do about youth violence is tell someone what is happening. I could also get a group of people to help change the environment and help our community. If I did that for an example there would not be anymore unnecessary fighting or crimes happening in our community. It could also stop the cause of youth violence. I could report an incident to the police that happens between someone even if they says that "It's not serious for the police to get involved" because everyone should take action. Also because next time the same problem can be even worse than last

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time. Another thing I can do about youth violence is help resolve the problem and finds an easier way to get the problem resolved. These are something's that I could do to help our community and help resolve youth violence in my perspective and opinion.