PREVENTION PROGRAMS
STOP VIOLENCE BEFORE IT HAPPENS

Prevention staff in Virginia’s Sexual & Domestic Violence Agencies (SDVAs) use evidence-informed, public health strategies to prevent violence like...

TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE
Ongoing school-based and after-school education teaching young people the skills required to build healthy relationships and become community leaders;

SUPPORTING HEALTHY FAMILIES
Education for parents and adults on how to support developmentally appropriate communication and expression in youth, teach consent, model respect, and build social-emotional learning skills

TRAINING AND TOOLS FOR COMMUNITY LEADERS
Building road-maps with school administrators and faith and community leaders on ways to create healthy, violence-free environments – including recognizing and responding to harmful behaviors that may be risk factors for future violence

BUILDING COMMUNITY COALITIONS AND CONNECTION
Leading multi-disciplinary community coalitions to address the root causes of violence and make neighborhoods, schools, places of worship, and businesses healthy and safe

Prevention programs like these, led by Virginia’s sexual and domestic violence agencies, are the cornerstones for ensuring community-wide health and resilience—a key factor in preventing future violence.

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