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Human Services  
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**All sessions EXCEPT the  
October 28th session will  
be held on Thursdays**  
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

All meetings will be held at  
Brittingham - Midtown  
Community Center  
570 McLawhorne Drive  
Newport News, VA 23601

## Newport News Violence Prevention Network

Office on Children, Youth &  
Families

Neighborhood Leadership  
Institute

# Gang Awareness and Prevention Forums

October 28 - December 3, 2009  
Brittingham-Midtown Community  
Center  
6:30-8:30 p.m.



Department of Human Services

# Schedule

## **History and Psychology of Gangs: *How They Form, Who Joins and Why* Wednesday, October 28**

**Moderator:** **Pastor Aaron Wheeler**, *President, Aaron Wheeler Group*

**Panelists:** **Alex J. Turner**, *Special Agent In Charge, Norfolk Field Office of the FBI*

**Olympia Perkins**, *Director, VA Beach Court Services*  
**Kim Humphrey**, *Director, Community Mediation*

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## **Gangs in Virginia and Newport News: *A Local Overview* Thursday, November 5**

**Moderator:** **Chris Tan**, *Manager, Partnerships & Prevention Services, Office on Children, Youth & Families*

**Panelists:** **Howard Gwynn**, *Newport News Commonwealth's Attorney*  
**Sgt. Dennis Ivey**, *York County Sherriff's Dept.*  
**Lorenzo Shepherd**, *Asst. Chief, Newport News Police Dept.*  
**Randy Crank**, *President, Virginia Gang Investigations Assn.*

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## **Impact and Prevention of Gangs on Families and Neighborhoods: *What We Can Do to Prevent and Reduce* Thursday, November 12**

**Moderator:** **Dr. Rosanne Walters**, *Deputy Director, Department of Human Services*

**Panelists:** **Juan Mila**, *Center for Child & Family Services*  
**Sacil Armstrong**, *Director, Weed & Seed*  
**Charles Little**, *Newport News Juvenile Services Board*  
**Ryan Dudley**, *Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board*  
**Joy Jackson**, *President, Community Builder's Network*  
**Gabe Morgan**, *Sherriff, Newport News*  
**Susan Nesbit**, *Newport News Targeted Outreach Program*

## **SPECIAL SESSION FOR THE FAITH COMMUNITY\***

### **The Faith Community Role in Gang Prevention Thursday, November 19**

**Moderator:** **Pastor Aaron Wheeler**, *President, Aaron Wheeler Group*

**\* Registration Required**

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### **Impact and Prevention of Gangs on Schools and Business: *What We Can Do to Prevent and Reduce* Thursday, December 3**

**Moderator:** **Freddie Simons**, *Director, Prevention Services Hampton Newport News Community Services Board*

**Panelists:** **Jane Moreland**, *Coordinator, Student Leadership, Newport News Public Schools*  
**Donald Green**, *Director of School Security, Newport News Public Schools*  
**Dr. Sandra Cherry**, *Downtown Newport News Merchants And Neighbors Association*  
**Hae Jung Goldman**, *Business Community*  
**Bobby Kipper**, *Director, National Center for Prevention of Community Violence*  
**Jeremy Wall**, *Area Director, Boys and Girls Club, York County*

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**Forums will be held from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. These sessions are free and open to the public.**

**If you have any questions please contact Fred Watson, 926-6650 or [fwatson@nngov.com](mailto:fwatson@nngov.com).**