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From: Kevin Foy

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To: Liz Carter

Cc: Carlo Robustelli

Subject: RE: Chapel Hill Youth Council (CHYC)

Hi Liz -

Thanks for the update about the Youth Council. I'm looking forward to working with some or all of the members.

Kevin

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Yes, there is a youth council in the village, Chapel Hill. I have served as the coordinator of the organization since October 2007. I am very proud of the young person in which I am responsible for and to. They are perhaps one of the most diverse groups in our town. They are very hard workers and dedicated to making this community a better place for us all.

Six of the members had the opportunity to be a part of the Youth Legislative Assembly march 7-9, 2008. They were Cyndie 7 Corinthas

Patterson, Joyce Toomer, Brianna Dillon, Ashanti Foy and Nandini Dhullipalla. This was the third year that Nandini participated. She served as one of the tri-speakers of the Assembly. She also was one of the persons that advocated before Mayor Foy for the establishment of a youth council in our community. I am so glad that it was approved and supported by the mayor, town council and the manager in 2007 after a request from the NAACP.

Currently there are twenty three members of the Chapel Hill Youth Council. Our calendar mirror that of the Chapel Hill Carrboro City Schools. The CHYC will not meet after June. We will resume meeting in August 2008 - June 2009. We will be involved in community service over the summer and will be seeking mentorship/internship opportunities from local governmental/political leaders. It is for that reason that I wanted to remind each of you of our presences here in Chapel Hill. I have learned that there are opportunities for youth council members to serve as pages. I would like to afford a few of these youth that opportunity.

The opportunity to become familiarized, and orientate with the mayor, the councilpersons, manager and other governmental officials here in our town will be afforded to the CHYC. This agreement was part of the original request in establishing the youth council.

The youth are observing us and making some of the same comments that we make about them as we observe them. They are one of the many reasons that each of you do what you do each and every day. And for that we are grateful.

This group of youth want to be a board that represents their peers.

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