

youthmakingadifference

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Greetings Teachers, Principals and Educators!

With the popular inspirational words “you must be the change you wish to see in the world” from Mahatma Gandhi, two local youth-run organizations have joined forces to create an exciting event! **Continental Rescue Africa** and **ACCESS: Allowing Children a Chance at Education** are presenting the **Youth Making a Difference Workshop**.

Continental Rescue Africa is aimed at empowering youth and women to take the lead in development issues that hinder their present and future well-being. CRA’s vision is to stand in solidarity with youth and women, providing them with necessary resources to make a positive impact in their communities. Similarly, ACCESS Charity aims at providing needy children in the developing world with necessary school supplies and uniforms, allowing them the opportunity to receive an education and a better future. Locally, ACCESS educates youth about issues in the developing world, inspiring them to take action. Both organizations work has been recognized by leaders in the community both locally and internationally.

- With this vision in mind, CRA and ACCESS will be hosting the **Youth Making a Difference Workshop on Friday, May 29, 2009** at Century Gardens Recreation Centre in **Brampton**.

The goals of the workshop are to educate, empower, and raise awareness among youth.

- *Educating:* Equip them with more than the passion they need to work in social justice but also with the knowledge of HOW they can join us all in creating change. Provide them with the many options available to them to volunteer and to help them in starting their own organization
- *Raising Awareness:* organizations which engage in development work and social justice issues such as; poverty, famine, illiteracy, gender-based violence, gender-based issues, youth activism, job creation etc. will be given the platform to raise awareness about the critical nature of these issues and how we are implicated.
- *Empowering:* The specific scope of this workshop will be defined by the organizations which choose to work with us to empower the youth of today about how they can make change and be apart of change in their communities.

This workshop has been designed carefully to compliment the curriculum and topics discussed in Ontario Schools. Therefore, it is our firm belief that students will gain new insight into the knowledge they have acquired in the classroom, and will further be empowered to make a difference. In compliment to the curriculum, students will be educated, empowered to make the change they wish to see in the world and empower others through raising awareness.

We proudly invite you to the **Youth Making a Difference Workshop**. Truly, this event will prepare students to be the change they wish to see in the world!

Please register your school online at www.accesscharity.ca/workshop. You may email CRA at info@continentalrescueafrica.com or ACCESS at info@accesscharity.ca with any inquiries.

Thank you in advance for your support!

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