



## 2010-2011 Seattle Youth Commission year-end report: Youth Violence

The Youth Violence subcommittee of the Seattle Youth Commission began their work by working with other youth-oriented groups to plan and co-host the very successful Building Bridges youth-police relations forum in January of 2011 at the Garfield Teen Life Center. Nearly 150 youth, police officers, and community members attended, joining in small breakout discussions after listening to a moderated panel discussion and a short question and answer session.

Following Building Bridges, the Youth Violence subcommittee drafted a survey, which has begun distribution at SPD youth events, with the intention of measuring the success and results of programs like the donut dialogues and role reversals. Data will continue to be collected and monitored by the Commission.

Finally, the Youth Violence subcommittee brought together the Chief of Police, his command staff, and the Commission, creating a strong alliance against youth violence and a communication network that will continue in the future in the form of regular quarterly meetings.