Harrisonburg Youth and Teen Engagement Council

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The Problem

The Parks and Recreation has had an ongoing problem with detachment of youth their teenage years

once the students re

- Lots to offer for Kids under 12
- Multiple programs for "50 and wiser"
- No leagues for recreational sports for high schoolers (8th grade cut off)
- No exclusive programs for ages 13-18

While there are programs that support teen participation they draw little to no interest from them.



The Solution

Teen Council:

The teen council will be the missing link between youth and the department of Parks and Recreation. The council will provide a safe and interactive environment for the youth.

Teen Council Application

- Mission Statement: The Harrisonburg Teen Council empowers the youth to join the
 community. The council is a group of students (grades 8-11) whose voices want to be
 heard for their fellow classmates. Engaging in the community will bring unity across the
 city and encourage friendship among all ages. The leaders are impelled to unite and be
 the voice of youth throughout the city.
- The application consists of:
- Simple questions like name, address, grade, school attending etc.
- Short answer questions
- Interview with Parks and Rec Staff

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Application

First name:		Last name:					
Current grade:	School attending:						
Phone number:			Email:				
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Mailing address:							
City:		State:	Zip:	Birthdate:			
Why do you think we should choose you?							
How will engage teens to get involved with the community?							
What changes do you want to happen or what ideas do you have?							

Teen Council

- Members:
- Grades 8-11
- one male and one female from each grade
- Requirements
- Good school standing
- Ability to attend meetings (cannot miss more than 3 meetings) (unexcused)
- At least volunteer 3 events with parks and rec throughout the year
- Meetings
- Second Thursday of each month (unless more is needed)
- 4:00-5:00 pm at Cecil F. Gilkerson Community Activities Center

Incentives for Teen Council

- Access to the Game Room
- Free Pool Membership (valued at \$85)
- Free Teen Membership (Valued at \$5)
- Volunteer Hours
- Snack voucher (Summer Exclusive)
- Free Shelter Reservations



Advertisement for Teen council

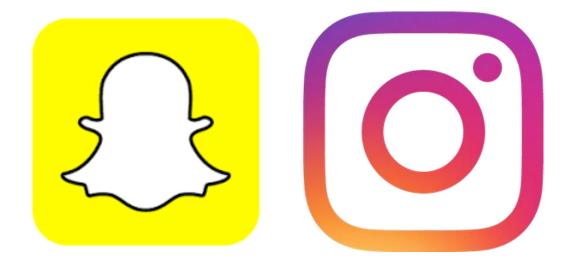
- School newspaper and announcements
- Social media
- Visits to middle and high schools



New Ideas Made For Teens

- Teen Movie Night (in the pool)
- Field Days at Hillandale park
- Teen Lounge
 - Couch and Bean Bags
 - TV with gaming device
 - Board Games and Ping Pong
- Social Media
 - Snapchat
 - Instagram





Events in which Teens can volunteer

- Easter Egg Hunts
- Youth "Try" athlon
- Mother/Son Superhero Party
- Father/Daughter Valentines Dance
- Canteen Dances
- Disc Golf Tournaments
- Annual Races







Service Learning Project:







Young Leaders

- Bismah Afridi
- Maddie Blackwell
- Mikah Vaughan
- Rebekah Vaughan

150+ cumulative hours were spent on this project.







The need for CPR

FACT: For every minute in cardiac arrest, survival decreases 10%

- In the City of Harrisonburg, when someone experiences cardiac arrest:
 - 1. If the cardiac arrest is witnessed by someone...
 - 2.& that someone does CPR:

There is 88-92 % chance the FD will restore a pulse back to that person!







The need for CPR



Our project has the potential to affect the life of every Citizen, Student, & Visitor in the City of Harrisonburg





Ashburn Fire Dept.

Only Fire Dept CPR

Kiosk in Virginia



Simply touch the screen, follow along & learn Hands-Only CPR in 5 minutes



American Heart CPR Kiosk. Found in many large US airports

HFD does not have Kiosk technology, however their goal is to have 2.

Our project will help them justify the cost, and present a plan for using them.

As an extra credit, our group helped HFD design a CPR Kiosk they can have built locally.



Our Task

Assist the FD with educating the public on hands only CPR by:

- 1. First, we learned the Fire Department's need by riding along
- 2. Identifying key locations for a CPR Learning Kiosk
- 3. Making contact with those key locations
- 4. Creating a strategy for deployment of them







Harrisonburg Population

• City of Harrisonburg 52,538

• JMU Students 22,667

• EMU Students 1,800



Annual Harrisonburg Visitors & Tourist:

Visiting Center Visitors
 60,000

• City Visitors 1 million

(formula tourism industry)

• Interstate 81 Travelers 114,000

App. 1,174,005 Visitors

These are potential people who could be trained in Hands-Only CPR





Divided Into 2 Category Locations

CITY BUSINESSES & PUBLIC LOCATIONS



JMU CAMPUS LOCATIONS

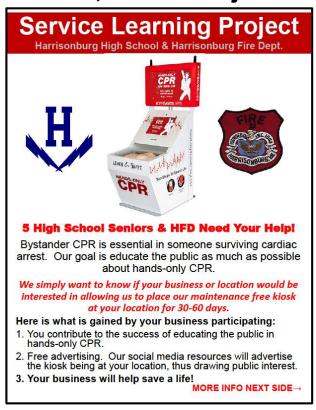






We visited locations to seek their interest

We provided a sheet about Hands-Only CPR, the Kiosk, & our Project Goal



We obtained business and location information of those interested

BUSINESS NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
RESPONSIBLE PART	TY:	
PHONE:		FAX:
	BUSINESS HOURS	
SUNDAY	OPEN:	CLOSE:
MONDAY	OPEN:	CLOSE:
TUESDAY	OPEN:	CLOSE:
WEDNESDAY	OPEN:	CLOSE:
THURSDAY	OPEN:	CLOSE:
FRIDAY	OPEN:	CLOSE:
SATURDAY	OPEN:	CLOSE:



We visited the following areas

City Bus./Public Locations

- We visited a total of 24+ business locations
 - ✓ Mall locations
 - ✓ Theatre
 - ✓ Fitness facilities
- We visited a total of 12+ public locations
 - ✓ City buildings
 - **✓**EMU
 - √ State buildings (DMV)

JMU Campus Locations

- We visited a total of 12+ JMU locations
 - ✓ U. Rec. center
 - ✓ Dining halls
 - ✓ Performing arts
 - ✓ Student centers
 - √ Football stadium/convo center

2 CPR Kiosks will relocate every 30-60 days





Next for HFD

- CPR Kiosks will need purchased
- Advertisement and social media awareness of where the CPR Kiosks are located
- HFD can obtain data from the CPR Kiosks about the amount of use.
- The CPR Kiosks will be placed in the locations as determined by the Service Learning Project.





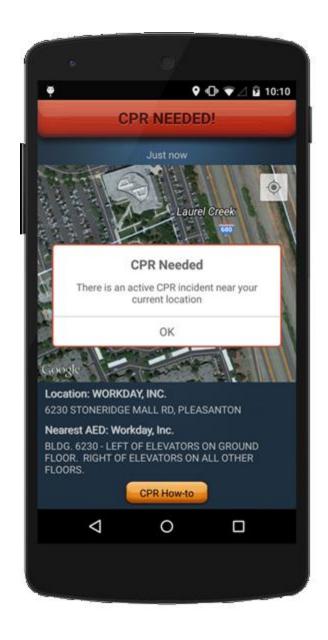
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PulsePoint



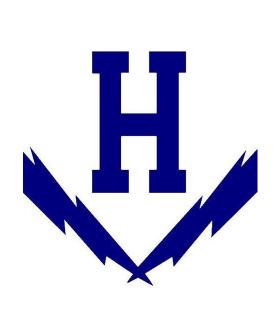


App that integrates **911 Center** software to alert citizens within 500 feet of a cardiac arrest in a **public place**.













Thank You City Council





Harrisonburg's Traffic Garden

Krissia, Gladys, Janette, Parker, & Tyler W.

What Is A Traffic Garden?

 Is a park in which children can learn the rules of the road.





Location



- Hillandale Park
 - Current trail
- House Plan
 - New trail







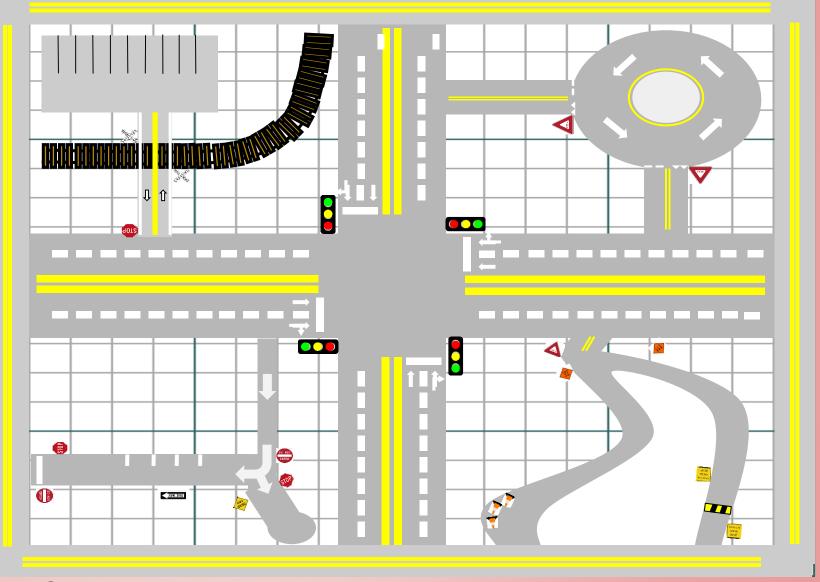








- 100 x 120 ft. (Two tennis courts)
- Four quadrant zones.
- 4-way intersection
- 2-lane road loop around garden.



Quadrant #3 Residential

Quadrant #4 Industrial

Benefits

- Improve awareness of traffic safety.
- School Related Programs
- Volunteering Opportunities



Funding

- Safe Routes to School Program
- School funding
- Potential funding from county
- Estimated cost- \$150,000



Concluding Statements

Sources

Federal Highway Association, Manual on Uniform Traffic Control
 Devices, December 2009

Acknowledgements

Safer Streets, Safer Streaks

Anh Tran, Boroka Boisen, Leomar Lopez, Natalie Pittington, Olivia Kasidiaris

Introduction

Who: Paired with the Harrisonburg Police Department

What: Speed signs

Where: at Harrisonburg High School

Why: Safety concern

How: With the help of Public Works, we will place the signs at the designated locations

What is the point?

- Students Safety is at risk as seen in Statistics
- To teach new drivers the times because they are relatively unknown to most people
- To prevent speeding related accident

How did we get it done?

- Problem noted that the speed and times were not properly noticeable when leaving the school
- Looked at statistics given by HPD of this past years tickets given on Garbers Church Road
- Visited the sign shop at the Public Works office to discuss design, placement, and cost
- Met with Harrisonburg High School administration to get permission to place and put in the signs

HPD Issued Tickets - 2017 Garber's Church Road

Speeding in a 25 MPH Zone	63
Speeding in a 35 MPH Zone	21
Defective Speedometer	19
Speeding At A School Crossing	66

Why there?

- Easy to locate
- Better Visibility
- Informative to all



SPEED

Actual times for Garbers Church

6:45-9:25 AM 2:05-4:45 PM

7:10 - 8:30 AM 2:50 - 3:50 PM





Finances for the Project

- Public Works donation of labor to install
- One sign with pole and hardware = \$142.97
- Project Total = \$285.94
- Options for Funds

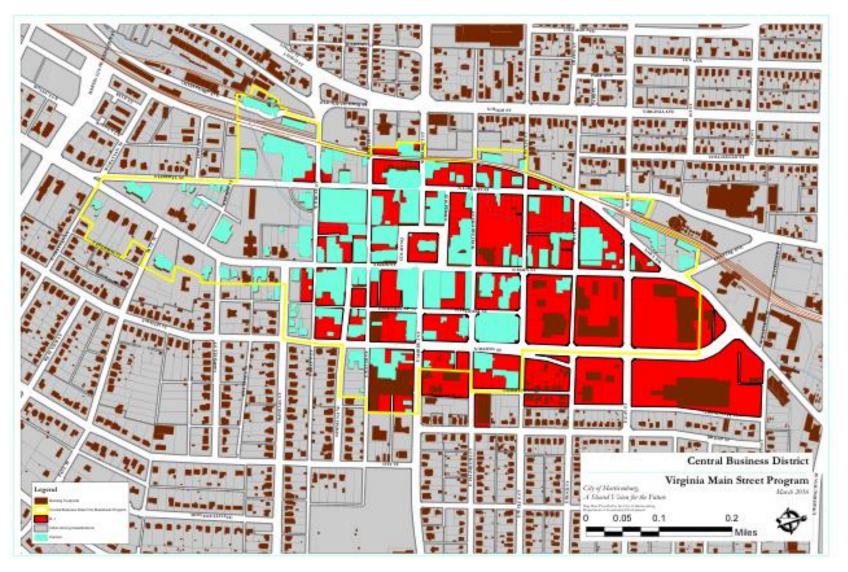
Introducing Art to Harrisonburg's Downtown

Lucie Rutherford, Lene Andrawas, Emily Coffelt, Marissa Madden and Meredith Goss

The Goal

- → Attracting young adults to
 Harrisonburg's downtown through
 art
- → seek out/contact downtown businesses

Our Boundaries:



Initial Art Brainstorming



OTHER IDEAS:

- → sculpture/mural of "The Friendly City"
- → step-on piano (deemed unrealistic because of weather/monetary restrictions)
- → mosaics

Contact with Businesses

Parks & Rec - Luanne
 Santangelo

→ Liberty Park

- Massanutten Regional Library -Michael Evans
 - → open to public art conversation



Student Survey

HDR's biggest problem: young adult presence

- → Gave advice on how to reach out to students:
 - → Social media, posters around HHS
 - → Relaying student opinion to HDR

Grade level:

- 1. What are your top two places to eat after a sporting event/dance/etc.?
- 2. Where do you find out about things going on in town?
- 3. What type of art would you most enjoy to see downtown?
 - a) plain mural
 - b) something you can climb on
 - c) something unique you can take pictures with
 - d) art that represents Harrisonburg/HHS
 - e) other: _____

Future hopes in diversity sculpture

FUTURE WORK: HDR hopes to add an interactive sculpture which represents Harrisonbrug's diversity, specifically HHS's

- → walk-in world globe // represents major countries
- → hope for another Government class to take over the diversity sculpture

