

# Teens

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## HEAD OF THE ARK OF ST. SABINA SPEAKS OUT ABOUT THE YOUTH OF AUBURN GRESHAM!

MEET HEAD OF THE ARK OF ST. SABINA MINISTER LEONARD LANGSTON AND LEARN HOW HE FEELS. ST. SABINA IS HELPING THE YOUTH OF AUBURN GRESHAM.

MINISTER LEONARD LANGSTON HAS BEEN AT ST. SABINA FOR 4 AND HALF YEARS. THROUGHOUT THE YEARS MINISTER LEONARD HAS WITNESSED HOW ST. SABINA HAS BEEN CHANGING MANY TEENS' LIVES.

HERE IS AN EXCERPT FROM HIS INTERVIEW:

Q: WHAT IS THE MISSION OF THE PROGRAMS AT ST. SABINA?

A: TO BE A SAFE HAVEN AND A PLACE THAT YOUTH THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY CAN FEEL SAFE AND LOVED. THE MISSION IS ALSO TO HELP THE YOUTH FIND THEIR TALENTS AND

ENHANCE THEM THROUGH THE DIFFERENT PROGRAMS.



Minister Langston and Interviewer.

Q: DO YOU BELIEVE THE PROGRAMS AT ST. SABINA HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE IN MANY TEEN'S LIFE? EXPLAIN.

A: YES, I DO BECAUSE MANY STUDENTS COME BACK ON A REGULAR BASIS TO SHARE HOW THE PROGRAMS AT ST. SABINA HAS CHANGE THEIR LIFE AND HOW MUCH THEY REALLY ENJOYED AND APPRECIATE THE PROGRAMS.

Q: DO YOU BELIEVE TEENS

THAT ARE INVOLVED IN PROGRAMS ARE MORE LIKELY TO SUCCEED THAN TEENS THAT ARE HANGING ON THE STREETS? EXPLAIN.

A: YES, THEY WOULD HAVE A BETTER CHANCE TO SUCCEED BECAUSE THEY ARE EXPOSED TO MORE THINGS THAN TEENS THAT ARE ON THE STREETS. TEENS THAT ARE INVOLVED HAVE A SUPPORT SYSTEM FROM PEOPLE IN THE PROGRAMS.

MINISTER LANGSTON WENT ON EXPLAINING THAT ST. SABINA IS A STABLE SUPPORT FOR THE YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES TO SEEK, WHEN THEY NEED HELP OR A SUPPORT SYSTEM. THEY HAVE MADE MANY MEMBERS IN AUBURN GRESHAM FEEL LOVED AND WELCOMED.

IN OTHER WORDS, ST. SABINA IS DOING AN EXCELLENCE JOB WITH THE YOUTH. THERE PROGRAMS ARE KEEPING A LOT OF TEENS OFF THE STREETS.

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# EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE CENTER



EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE ON RACINE AVENUE

THE EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE CENTER WAS FOUNDED IN 1998 TO SERVE THE JOB SEEKING NEEDS OF THE AUBURN GRESHAM AND ENGLEWOOD COMMUNITIES. AT THE EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE CENTER,

JOB SEEKERS WILL FIND THE RESOURCES TO HELP THEM IN THERE JOB SEARCH EFFORTS.

**BASIC SERVICES:**

- JOB READINESS WORKSHOP
- FREE GED WORKSHOPS
- TRANSPORTATIONS ASSISTANCE— BUS PASSES
- UNIFORM ASSISTANCE
- REFERRALS FOR HOUSING, CLOTHING, FOOD, CHILDCARE, SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND JOB TRAINING.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

- 14-29 YEARS OF AGE
- RELEASED FROM PRISON IN THE LAST 60 DAYS
- A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:  
**(773) 783-3763**

*"To be a safe haven and a place that youth throughout the community can feel safe and loved."*

**-MINSTER LANGSTON**

# THE ARK OF ST. SABINA

THE ARK IS A PLACE THAT MANY TEENS IN AUBURN GRESHAM FLOCK TO FOR A LITTLE FUN WITHOUT BEING PUT IN DANGER.

LIKE MINISTER LANGSTON STATED, THE ARK IS A SAFE HAVEN FOR THE YOUTH.

THE ARK OFFERS A VAST ARRAY OF OPPORTUNITIES AND PROGRAMS FOR

YOUTH AGES 6-18. THE ARK SERVICES BETWEEN 70-120 YOUTH ON A DAILY BASIS MONDAY-FRIDAY.

HERE ARE SOME OF THE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES THE ARK OFFERS:

- PROJECT UMOJA
- TEEN R.E.A.C.H
- ARTS & CRAFTS

- LIFE SKILL WORKSHOP AND MANY MORE!

CHECK OUT THE ARK! ITS REALLY A COOL PLACE FOR YOUTH!

FOR INFORMATION CALL:  
**(773) 483-4300**

# FOSTER PARK



FOSTER PARK FIELD HOUSE



FOSTER PARK IS LOCATED ON 84TH AND LOOMIS. FOSTER PARK HAS DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES FOR TEENS TO GET INVOLVED IN. FOSTER PARK HAS A SUMMER CAMP AND OFFERS

JOB FOR TEENS, SUCH AS JUNIOR COUNSELORS. THEY HAVE AN OPEN POOL, INDOOR AND OUTDOOR BASKETBALL COURT, A TRACK, A TENNIS COURT, AND A BASEBALL FIELD. IT IS A GREAT PLACE FOR TEENS IN THE COMMUNITY TO COME AND HANG OUT.

SOME OF FOSTER PARKS ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- ACTING
- SKILLS ON DAILY LIVING
- ARTS AND CRAFT AND MUCH MORE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: **(312) 747-6135**

# KIDTEK: MEET NEAL, KEN, JAMELIAH & CYNTHIA



## INTERN AND STUDENT REBUILDING A COMPUTER.

WITH THE CHILDREN IN THE SUMMER CAMP.

Q: DO YOU BELIEVE THAT IS GOOD?

JAMELIAH: AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM (JOB READINESS), COMER PROGRAM, ADULT PROGRAM, EVALUATED PROGRAM, AND AFTER SCHOOL MATTERS.

Q: DO YOU RECOMMEND THIS PROGRAM TO OTHER TEENS?

KEN: YES, IT HELPS YOU BECOME A LEADER.



JAMELIAH: TEENS THAT ARE SERIOUS, CAN HANDLE DIFFERENT PERSONALITIES AND TEENS THAT CAN KEEP UP WITH THE PACE OF TECHNOLOGY.

NEAL: I AGREE. IT GIVES US A ROLE OF RESPONSIBILITY AND A SENSE OF

BEING APART OF A GROUP. IT ALSO GIVE US A CHANCE TO HAVE AN OPINION. FOR A CHANGE, OUR VOICES ARE BEING HEARD.

Q: WHAT IS KIDTEK ABOUT IN YOUR OPINION?

KEN: KIDTEK IS A CENTER THAT BRANCHES OFF TO DIFFERENT PROGRAMS.

HERE IS A BRIEF HISTORY ON THE TEENS: NEAL HAS WORKED FOR KIDTEK FOR 5 YEARS; KEN, JAMELIAH & CYNTHIA WORKED FOR KIDTEK FOR 2 YEARS.

EXCERPT FROM INTERVIEW:

Q: WHAT DO YOU DO AT KIDTEK?

NEAL: I TEACH MICROSOFT WORD AND POWERPOINT 2007.

KEN: I AM AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT.

JAMELIAH: I AM A FLOATER; BASICALLY I DO WHATEVER THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

CYNTHIA: I AM A TEACHER'S ASSISTANT.

Q: WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT THIS PROGRAM?

KEN: THEY ALLOW US [INTERNS] TO RUN THE PROGRAM AND I LIKE INTERACTING

Q: IS KIDTEK ONLY OFFERED IN CALUMET PERSPECTIVES?

NEAL: NO, IT IS OFFERED IN DIFFERENT SCHOOLS INSIDE OF THREE COMMUNITIES: ROSELAND, AUBURN GRESHAM, AND GREATER GRAND CROSSING.

Q: WHAT PROGRAMS DOES KIDTEK OFFER?

CYNTHIA: A JOB READINESS PROGRAM AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER.

THE INTERVIEW CONTINUED IN LAUGHS.

"ONCE YOU COME TO KIDTEK IT BECOMES A HOME."

-KEN

# EVENTS 4 TEENS

## FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE STOP THE VIOLENCE TALENT SHOW

LOCATION: ARK OF ST. SABINA  
7800 S. RACINE  
TIME: 6PM-8PM  
DATE: FRIDAY, AUG. 14  
FREE ADMISSION  
FREE FOOD & PRIZES

## 4TH ANNUAL 79TH STREET RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

LOCATION: 79TH STREET BETWEEN RACINE & LOOMIS  
TIME: 10AM-6PM  
DATE: SATURDAY, SEPT. 12  
FREE ADMISSION

## HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES AT FOSTER PARK

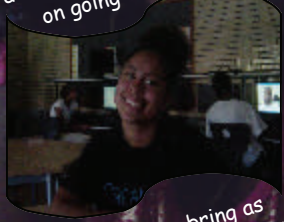
LOCATION: FOSTER PARK 84TH & LOOMIS  
TIME: 6PM-8PM  
DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2009  
COST: \$ 3.00



# TYWANA

## Darlena

Hello, my name is Darlena Starnes. I am 15 years old and going into my second year of high school. Some of the things I enjoy doing include talking, going out with friends, and just finding fun stuff to do. I'm a big risk taker and very adventurous. When I graduate from high school, I plan on going to college and taking up psychology. My favorite color is red because it represents laughing is a big part of my nature. I do it so often. Most people know me as a real happy person. I try to bring as much peace as I can. Trouble isn't really a big conflict with me. The only problem I may have is talking, being cunning, and a sneak. I'm an easy person to get along with and the wrong person to be enemies with. Well that's pretty much all about ME!



HELLO, MY NAME IS TYWANA GILL. I AM 19 YEARS OLD AND I WILL BE COMPLETEING MY SECOND YEAR OF COLLEGE AT CHICAGO STATE. I HAVE A ONE YEAR OLD DAUGHTER, KIOSHI THAT IS THE JOY OF MY LIFE. SOME THINGS I ENJOY IS RAISING MY DAUGHTER, HANGING OUT TO EAT. I REALLY AM A FAMILY PERSON AND THAT IS WHAT I SPEND MOST OF MY TIME DOING, BECAUSE MY CURRENTLY MAJOR COURSE. I AM STUDYING OF FORENSIC SCIENCE. I AM REALLY A LONG TERM CAREER GOAL IS TO BECOME A SCIENTIST. I AM REALLY A LOVING AND FUN PERSON AND MANY PEOPLE SAY I AM A JOY TO BE AROUND. WELL, THAT'S TYWANA FOR YOU!



# MEET THE AUTHORS

## JOBS ADS FOR TEENS

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#### JOB READINESS AND CAREER ENHANCEMENT TRAINING

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- ◆ PROVIDING GREAT CUSTOMER SERVICE AUG. 20
- ◆ GOOD WORK ETHICS

#### AND HANDLING CONFLICTS AUG. 25

- ◆ ELIMINATING FINANCIAL BARRIERS AUG. 26

#### WORKSHOPS WILL BE AT SAINT SABINA

LOCATION: 1210 W. 78TH PLACE

TIME: 10 AM-12PM

### ST. SABINA EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE CENTER IS HAVING A ERC (EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE CENTER) ORIENTATION

DATE: AUG. 26TH

TIME: 10 AM-12PM

LOCATION: 79TH & RACINE AVENUE

