

Teens Ages 13 -18 we want to hear your

Who better than you to share with us how to make our community better for teens and other youth?
We want to hear those ideas ... so let's



Our Place and Youth Count invite you to a youth conversation where you can share your thoughts, ideas and concerns on keeping our young people safe and healthy:

Tuesday, December 10, 4:00 - 6:00 PM
New Albany Floyd County Schools Board Room
in the Education Support Center at 2801 Grant Line Road

Reservations required (parents are welcome to observe).

The latter part of the discussion will include a special emphasis on tobacco usage, including vaping and e-cigs. The factors below will serve as a starting point for that particular part of the discussion.

Tobacco companies spend more than \$26 million every day to promote their products in the US.

Tobacco Companies spend \$284.5 million a year marketing tobacco products in Indiana alone.

Each day in Indiana, 30 people die from a tobacco-related illness. That's 11,100 a year.

Nearly 9 out of 10 cigarette smokers first tried smoking by age 18.

Every year 4,100 teens in Indiana become new daily smokers.

If trends continue, 151,000 Indiana kids will die prematurely from a tobacco related illness.

Our long term goal is for youth to share and actively participate in making our community a healthy and safe place to live and learn, including providing opportunities to join with other young people across the State of Indiana state to engage, educate and empower teens to celebrate a tobacco free lifestyle.

As we move into 2020 we will provide more opportunities and training and for more young people to become engaged in this effort.

To sign up or for more information contact Barbara Bridgwater at barbara@youthcount.com or 502-876-2272.