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ThinKING YOUTH TRAINERS - TEACH-IN TO PEERS AT WILSON GRAY YMCA YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTER ON MLK DAY 2015

Youth Leaders from Hartford High Schools will be conducting a **Teach-In** on the Nonviolence Leadership and Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to over 350 basketball players, enrolled in the MLK Holiday Basketball Tournament at the Wilson Gray YMCA Youth and Family Center at 444 Albany Avenue, Hartford, CT. **ThinKING Nonviolence Youth Leaders** from the CT Center for Nonviolence, will present ten-minute **Teach-In Sessions** to peers who are participating in the Basketball Tournament.

Expected guests to interface with the ThinKING youth leaders are, the City of Hartford's Mayor Pedro Segarra, Councilman Kyle Anderson, City of Hartford's Public Safety Committee Chairperson and members of Hartford's Law Enforcement who have also been invited.

From 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. basketball teams, comprised of youth from around CT participating in the annual MLK Tournament, will meet with the ThinKING Youth Nonviolence training teams. ThinKING Youth Leaders are prepared to share multi-media presentations about Dr. King's work as it relates to contemporary issues and current civil unrest that the nation is facing. These ten-minute **"Teach-In"** sessions will be conducted prior to each basketball game.

The student trainers are taking part in Kingian Nonviolence Conflict Reconciliation training under the direction of the CTCN. This project is funded by CT State Legislators, in which CTCN and Blue Hills Civic Association are in a two-year partnership. Other organizations helping to sponsor the day's events are the Wilson Gray YMCA Youth and Family Center, New Birth Ministries and the Northend Church of Christ.

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