



Dear Friend and Partner,

First and foremost, thank you for taking the time to go through the enclosed material *and* connecting with the Allentown Mentoring Enrichment Network to ***Educate, Engage, and Empower a Rising Generation***. We are truly thankful.

Young people are one of the largest, most critical, and yet most woefully under-represented segments of civil society. Among young people are some of the most vulnerable human beings in the world. Youth and children are disproportionately subject to poverty, violence, exploitation, and other forms of injustice that are simply no longer acceptable at the dawn of the 21st century when humanity has in its hands enough wealth, technology, and knowledge to do better.

Investing in children and youth is not only a question about human rights and social justice, but also has potential economic benefits. Investing in children and youth is likely to have positive spillover effects, in terms of turning them into productive participants of society and preventing crime whereas not investing in these groups is likely to have negative spillover effects in terms of increased crime rates and poverty.

The staff and volunteers at the A.M.E.N Initiative and its Midnight Basketball component are arduously working to equip, engage, and empower the youth of the City of Allentown. Through group mentoring, workshops, clinics, Midnight Basketball, Career Apprentice Mentoring Partnership, customized success plans and other avenues, A.M.E.N is making a difference in our predominantly inner-city youth.

One of the main components fueling the success of the A.M.E.N. Initiative is its ability to partner with others; partnerships with the local church, school district, government and other organizations.

Please take a moment to consider partnering in one of the areas detailed in the enclosed brochure.

We look forward to hearing from you. Write, email or call us so that we may be able to discuss your involvement in more detail.

Believing in our youth,

The A.M.E.N. Team

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