



Action Plan for Las Vegas My Brother's Keeper Alliance for 2019

The Las Vegas My Brother's Keeper Alliance is working on strategies for shifting school, law enforcement, and community mindsets to see that our work is about both keeping kids safe and serving kids; not either/or. We are working to ensure that our teachers and administrators understand and positively act on the knowledge that even if our boys and young men of color are exhibiting violent or volatile behavior, we need to examine the systemic reasons behind it to mitigate it; this ties directly in to our legislative/policy work. Las Vegas MBK is coming at this work from every angle, with the intent of having the right people act on this, but if they do not, we are seeking to make sure that the policies address the youth needs. Las Vegas My Brother's Keeper Alliance is working closely with law enforcement; some members of law enforcement are used to discipline as it was many years ago, regardless of lack of effectiveness. Last year in our school district, over 8000 youth specific citations were given, and only 3000 of those were actually filed with a case. Las Vegas and our county are seeking to better use law enforcement and resources to mentor, assist, and engage youth and the community in a positive way.