



City of Waterbury

“Knowledge is Power” ADVISORY # 104



Youth Violence

The Data:

40% of Waterbury 9th graders threatened physical harm to someone once or more in the last 12 months.

58% of Waterbury boys, in grades 6 and 9, has hit someone once or more in the last 12 months.

37% of Waterbury 6th graders have engaged in three or more acts of fighting, hitting, injuring a person, carrying or using a weapon, or threatening physical harm in the past 12 months.

You Can:

- Talk with young people about how to avoid conflicts, and practice with them how to do so.
- Admit to a young person when you responded poorly to a conflict, and brainstorm what you could have done differently.
- At home, sit down and talk about small conflicts before they become big problems.
- Teach children that hitting, pushing, kicking, and other violent behaviors are not okay. As adults, model the behavior of peaceful conflict resolution.

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Peaceful Conflict Resolution: Young person seeks to resolve conflict nonviolently.

Did you know 31% of Waterbury young people report resolving conflict non-violently?