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Mentoring Awareness Day

Homestead, PA - The Tri-Boro Prevention Network is sponsoring a Mentoring Awareness Day on Saturday, June 4, 2005 at the Homestead Waterfront courtyard area (Near Starbucks) from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The free event will be emceed by Anji Corley from the WAMO morning show. Musical entertainment will be provided by local reggae and R&B group, The Flow Band. All children will have an opportunity to meet and greet players from the Pittsburgh Passion female football team and participate in Inflatable obstacles courses and competitive games provided by ELF entertainment . Also, the Woodland Hills Youth Against Tobacco Coalition will provide health education displays and the Family Smoke Free Pledge.

The goal of the event is to make community residents aware of mentoring opportunities that are available for the children in the Tri-Boro neighborhoods of Rankin, N. Braddock, and Braddock. The Tro Boro Prevention Network currently has a waiting list of over 120 children who are participating in community-based after school prevention programs at five community locations during the school year.

We are trying to recruit adult volunteers who are willing to make a commitment to an underprivileged youth on a weekly basis for a minimum commitment of one year. The project also has other options that are focused on workplace, school and faith base mentoring. TBPN would like to develop new partnerships with local merchants, civic groups, and corporate entities for possible traditional and/or workplace mentoring opportunities.

Turtle Creek Valley MH/MR Inc, Tri-Boro Communities That Care, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh, Greater Pittsburgh Mentoring Association, UPMC Braddock, Woodland Hills School District, Resurrection Baptist Church, Calvary A.M.E Church, Children's Hospital Injury Prevention, Family Care Connections and the Pennsylvania Department of Health are all members of the Tri Boro Prevention Network.

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