

Youth Venture – New England

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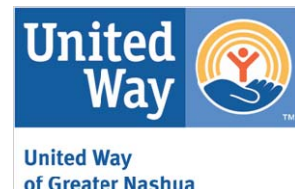
TWO NASHUA TEENS DANCE THEIR WAY INTO A FREE TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

*"I'm excited... and think it is a great experience to talk to others about my (Youth) Venture."
- Brianna Rogers*

CONCORD, NH – July 8, 2008– Who say's nice guys finish last? Two Nashua gals committed to helping children in their community won an all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. later this month,

In all, five young New Englanders, representing three Venture teams, were chosen out of hundreds to receive a trip to the first ever **National Youth Venture Summit** as a result of their hard work and dedicated to community.

Nashua's Brianna Rogers and Trina Cardamone launched their Venture team **Dance Creations** in 2007. **Dance Creations** is a free after-school dance program that offers underprivileged children the opportunity to learn how to dance and creatively express themselves. Brianna and Trina provide dance instructions at Girls Inc. and the Nashua Children's Home. The girls launched their Venture as a result of Youth Venture's partnership with United Way of Greater Nashua, sponsored by Nashua Community College.



**Mobilizing the Caring Power
of Young People**

A Venture Team consists of at least two youth, ages 12- 20, who are actively engaged in bringing about positive social change to their community.

Youth Venture's First National Summit will gather hundreds of young leaders and changemakers from all over the nation. They will experience three days of skill building and leadership strengthening as well as enable them to share their thoughts, ideas and experiences.

The two other Youth Venture New England teams selected to attend the summit are **S.A.F.A. (Shirley Arts for All)** from Shirley MA and **Green Teens USA** from Mansfield CT. **S.A.F.A.** sells refreshments at various school and community events in order to raise money for drama program scholarships. **Green Teens USA** holds environmentally oriented events for all ages to show that everyone can be part of the solution.

The **National Youth Venture Summit** will be held July 17- 20 at American University. For details, please visit www.GenV.net/summit.

About Youth Venture:

Youth Venture® leads an international community of young people who are powerful now, changemakers now. Youth Venture inspires and invests in teams of young people to create and launch their own sustainable, community-benefiting Ventures. Youth Venture then connects them into a global movement of young changemakers who are together redefining the youth years as a time of leadership and positive social change. This is the foundation of an *Everyone a Changemaker™* world – the key factor for success in every part of society. Youth Venture currently operates in 14 countries and online at www.GenV.net

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