

Standing Our Holy Ground Webinar Series

Young People and Campuses Stand Up to Gun Violence

July 17, 2019: 8pm-9pm: Register [here](#)

July 19, 2019: 3:45-4:45pm; Register [here](#)

There is an average of one school or college campus shooting each and every week in the United States. “Standing Our Holy Ground” is a year-long webinar series about gun violence and what the faith community can do about it. This episode will be broadcast live from the Presbyterian Youth Triennium and will feature a panel of young people and adults – activists, experts and those impacted by gun violence – who are working to address this national epidemic and make our campuses and communities safer.

Panelist Background



Kaaleah Jones is a 16-year-old rising senior who attends Heritage High School’s University magnet early college program. She currently takes Advanced Placement classes ranked 7th in her graduating class and currently has a 3.95 GPA. Kaaleah is the Director of Youth Services for the Abu Unity Foundation. She assists with the day to day operations and the foundation’s community initiatives and as a young community activist of the foundation, Kaaleah advocates around public safety (gun violence prevention in specific), economic opportunity and ending school to prison pipeline. She assists her peers with conflict resolution strategies through the Abu Unity Foundation’s mentor programs. She is the Violence Prevention chair of the of Newport News, Mayor’s Youth Commission, the Educational Fund to Stop Gun Violence/Virginia Action Network Generation Z lead, and is an amazing family member, friend, and future trauma-informed Psychologist.



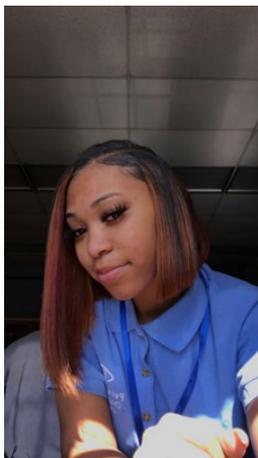
Keene Red Elk has been in with Purdue for 23 years and has served the greater Lafayette area since 1987 when he was hired as a patrol officer for the West Lafayette Police Department.

While at Purdue, he has served in several capacities to include patrol, bike patrol officer, detective, Tippecanoe County Drug Task Force, SWAT operator, Sergeant and Lieutenant of Training and Operations to his current role of Captain of Administrative Services.

In his current position, Captain Red Elk oversees the Investigations Unit, Threat Assessment, and Events Management. He is the administrative liaison for the Special Response Team, Explosive Ordinance and Demolition Team, Hostage Negotiation Team, the K9 officers and the Tippecanoe County Drug Task Force. He is also currently assigned to the Federal Joint Terrorism Task Force.



My name is Teyonna Lofton and I am a high school senior. At my school, I participate in many things such as an after school program called Black Excellence, learning about my Black History and modern day problems. This program taught me things that I bring back to a youth group called the BRAVE youth leaders of St. Sabina. I love working in my community because I love to engage students who look just like me to be leaders and take initiative in their community. And I would love to engage more students to advocate for Peace in our communities.



My name is LaNiyah Murphy and I am a 12th grader. I attend an after school program called Black Excellence learning about my Black History and modern day problems, Also, I am a member of a youth group called BRAVE of St. Sabina. And I would love to encourage more youth to be leaders by setting the example. I want to spread knowledge about different topics that I have learned about and inspire people to take initiative in their community to speak on problems in their communities and not allow them to become the norm.



B.R.A.V.E. is a peer led violence prevention youth council in Chicago designed to cultivate and develop young people into leaders and agents of social justice. The B.R.A.V.E. youth leaders are between the ages of 14-21. Youth in the program are exposed to a number of exclusive opportunities throughout the year including: community service projects, youth retreats, social gatherings, and professional development. B.R.A.V.E stands for Bold Resistance Against Violence Everywhere.