An example of operationalizing the “Teen” Guiding Principles

1. Physical and Psychological Safety
2. Appropriate Structure
3. Supportive Relationships
4. Opportunities to Belong

5. Positive Social Norms

Program provides rules of behavior, expectations, injunctions, ways of doing things, values and morals, and obligations for service.

6. Support for Efficacy and Mattering
7. Opportunities for Skill Building
8. Targeted Audiences

The program model promotes positive social norms by providing opportunities for teen-determined service learning projects. The project is intentionally designed to foster positive interactions and caring relationships between staff and teens and peer groups. With teen input, a “contract” will establish rules of behavior, roles, and expectations. The project will incorporate cultural diversity in team-building activities such as retreats, fieldtrips, guest speakers, and other community activities and cultural celebrations.