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*Connecticut Against Violence (CAV) is proud to announce its  
“5th Annual: Bridgeport Back to School Youth Summit”*

**Bridgeport, Connecticut - (August 22, 2017)** - Connecticut Against Violence (CAV) the Bridgeport, CT based organization, which engages inner-city youth in activities and forums for the discussion and education on violence prevention, is proud to announce its ***5th Annual Bridgeport Back to School Youth Summit “Preparing the Youth For a Better Tomorrow” Event***. This event will take place at **Housatonic Community College, Beacon Hall on September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017, at 9:00 am.**

This event will aim to provide vital information and workshops centered on youth violence prevention and education in inner-city schools and communities for 250 students entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade from Harding, Central, Bassick, Fairchild Wheeler and Bridgeport Military Academy. Participants will be engaged in learning high school, college, and life skills from 10 instrumental workshops.

Included in this event will be a keynote speaker, workshops, entertainment and talent showcases along with tee shirt, backpack and school supplies giveaways for participants. Breakfast and lunch will also be provided. There will be a Parents and Community Engagement Workshop for 30 parents.

A few of our Confirmed special guest speakers and facilitators are: **Mayor Joseph P. Ganim, Dr. Paul Broadie** (HCC President) **Chief Armando Perez, Dr. Aresta Johnson** (Superintendent), **Brent Peterkin** (Project Longevity State Director) **City Council and Board of Ed. members.**

Kingsley Ossei, Founder and Executive Director of CAV, stated that “Last year’s event was a great success.” He added “We will build on last year’s success to make this event even better than previously.”

CAV hopes to partner with volunteers, community agencies, local media partners, Housing Authority, City of Bridgeport, state officials, Bridgeport area organizations and businesses to sustain the program and make our community a safer place for our youth.

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**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Summit Highlight Video**  
<https://youtu.be/0oMdWJ2EMXc>