

# **Leadership Institute Program 2013**

## **Leadership Institute Program 2013**

The Leadership Institute is a professional development program designed with young leaders in mind. The program helps young leaders think critically for themselves about who they are as an individual and what issues they care about as a leader in the world.

Our objective is to produce more inspired, motivated and aware leaders who are now even more confident to pursue their personal and community service goals.

### **Leadership Sessions:**

These workshops and sessions are designed to help the student assess their strengths and weaknesses and discover their personal leadership style through a SWOT analysis.

### **Advanced Advocacy & Non-Profit:**

Using our *Got Issues? Get Organized* toolkit, students learn project management skills as it relates to starting a non-profit or organizing the community around a cause or issue.

### **Youth Entrepreneur:**

The session focuses on the steps to entrepreneurship and what it takes to start and manage a business.

### **Teen Town Hall Meeting:**

Leaders must be informed about the issues of the day. This forum moderated by Tavis Smiley includes a panel of youth and adults discussing a relevant current event or topic. Past sessions have focused on juvenile justice, AIDS, teen self-esteem, school violence, race relations, etc.

### **Community Service Project:**

Each year the Leadership Institute delegates give back to the local community through a community service project. Past projects have included restoration of a community center in Houston, a beach clean up in Santa Monica, and a beautification and school clean up in Los Angeles.

## **Health and Wellness:**

Through workshop sessions and hands-on activities the program always includes a session devoted to health issues that impact teens. We've screened documentaries on AIDs and in 2011 focused on youth obesity with a healthy eating session and a Walk Like A Leader 2-mile fun walk with 200 delegates.