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Take Charge Program Pull ‘Em Up Campaign

(Forestville, Maryland) The Take Charge Juvenile Diversion Program, Inc. announces the kick-off of the Pull ‘Em Up—Stop Saggin’ Belt Campaign, an opportunity to donate and drop off belts September 4 thru November 1 at various locations throughout the county.

Take Charge, along with community, county and business partners share the belief that “It takes a village to raise a well-rounded child.” Parents and teachers are searching desperately for help from the community at-large to help modify the attraction to the delinquent culture that our youth are engaged in. We have an opportunity to positively challenge the young men in our communities to reject this ridiculous culture of “saggin” and motivate them to embrace a trademark of manhood.

Along with the confirmed partners, we agree that this county is on the Path to Greatness, but only if the village rises up and becomes more active, engaged and influential. Our partners have a goal of seeing our young men represent themselves and our communities in a manner that amplifies success. We want to see our young men with pants pulled up and supported by belts.

Partners:

Prince George’s Office of the States Attorney, Sistas United, Inc., People for Change, Senator Joann Benson, Delegate Jay Walker, Councilman Will Campos, Councilman Derrick Davis, Council Member Ingrid Turner, Councilmember Eric Olson, Men Aiming Higher, City of Seat Pleasant, City of Mt. Rainier, City of Colmar Manor, Prince Georges County NAACP, Adams House (Suitland), Johnson MS (DC), MGoi Inc., Prince George’s County Teen Court, Dress for Success, Northwestern High School (Hyattsville), The Vine News, PGCPs Board Members Amber Waller, Rosalind Johnson and Verjeana Jacobs, Esq., IT TAKES TWO, Inc., Walk A Mile In My Shoes

Take Charge Program is a 501c3 non-profit specializing in juvenile gang and crime prevention, intervention, and family strengthening program. Created as an alternative to detention, school expulsion and suspension, the program focuses on cultural pride, family pride, and academic enhancement. Take Charge has been providing services to at-risk youth and their families in the Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area for over 20 years—assisting over 500 families annually.

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