

D4C – Dribble for Change

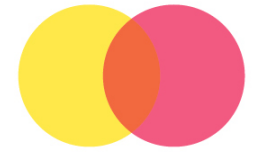
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Social Action Project:

D4C Basketball Tournament



- To build community and strengthen relationships, it's important to challenge negative stereotypes about communities.
- D4C tried to do this through organizing a basketball tournament that brought people together in a fun event and we did!
- We threw a successful tournament with lots of great feedback from participants and a lot of interest from people who just happened to pass by.
- Bonus – having Laurie from the Toronto Star come out and cover our tournament!

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What issue(s) from the Toronto Vital Signs did your project address?

- Health and Well Being
- Leadership, Civic Engagement and Belonging

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Why is your project important and what did you accomplish?

- We used basketball as a metaphor that allowed us to build relationships and then build community and strengthen relationships between different neighborhoods.

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What did your pod learn about social justice and change?

- Social justice and social change is challenging and takes a lot of effort
- A recognition that we were challenging stereotypes of youth in Jane and Finch as violent gang members by showing that they were active, intelligent, and capable of effecting change on their own terms.
- Teamwork is important and everyone in our pod had something to bring to the table

Thank You!

