

- The videos convey three key messages: that non-violent actions can effect individual and community change, that anyone can make a difference, and that aspiring to a greater purpose creates positive change and unity.
- Standards addressed include oral and written communication in English Language Arts; Historical Interpretation and Ethics and Responsibilities in History Social Science; Creative Expression within a historical, literary, social context in Visual and Performing Arts; and a variety of pathways within Career Technical Education.
- Service Learning and Community Service are also emphasized.

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<p><b>Advocate</b></p> <p><b>Attain skills to make your opinions matter through persuasive speech and political action.</b></p>				
<b>Aitan Grossman</b> Songwriter Environmentalist	12	Caucasian American	Aitan Grossman took to heart the call to action in Al Gore’s film An Inconvenient Truth and began writing what would become an anthem for youth environmentalists. His song “100 Generations” has been recorded by schoolchildren as far away as Taiwan and Ethiopia.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental And Natural Science</li> <li>• Visual/Performing Arts— Music; Music Composition And Production; Creative Expression</li> <li>• CTE— Arts, Media &amp; Entertainment</li> <li>• Business— Entrepreneurship/Non-Profit Organization Start-Up Maintenance</li> <li>• Service Learning/Community Service</li> </ul>
<b>Dr. Joseph Marshall</b> Educator Civil Rights Activist Organizer	50s	African American	Dr. Marshall started the Omega Boys Club, a violence prevention program that advocates for youth through a radio show and other empowerment/mentoring programs in the San Francisco Bay Area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History— Social Science</li> <li>• Understanding Civic Values, Ethics &amp; Human Rights— Political Science, History, Criminal Justice</li> <li>• CTE— Arts, Media &amp; Entertainment— Radio Announcing, Digital Audio Recording.</li> <li>• Business— Entrepreneurship, Internships</li> <li>• Community Service, Service Learning, Mentoring</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<b>Eliza Riley</b> Educator Civil Rights Activist Organizer	31	Caucasian American	Eliza Riley is a disability rights activist who runs a successful advocacy non-profit in the San Francisco Bay Area for people with disabilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History— Social Science— Ethics &amp; Human Rights, Sociology</li> <li>• CTE— Public Service, Legal &amp; Government Services</li> <li>• Ethics &amp; Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>• Community Service, Mentoring</li> </ul>

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<p><b><u>Embrace Culture</u></b></p> <p><b>Recognize how valuing cultures and embracing diversity enables you to build unity.</b></p>				
<b>Kevin Ward</b> Youth Activist Community Organizer	17	African American	Kevin Ward started a Unity Club at his Palo Alto, CA high school to increase cultural competence and counteract racial profiling.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● History— Social Studies— Knowledge &amp; Cultural Understanding, Civics, Ethics &amp; Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>● Political Science</li> <li>● ELA— Speaking Application</li> <li>● Community Service, Service Learning, Mentoring</li> </ul>
<b>Florence Jones</b> Healer Organizer Environmental Leader	95 (deceased)	Wintu (Native American)	Florence Jones was a spiritual healer and preservationist in Shasta Lake near Redding, CA. She empowered her Winnemen Wintu tribe of Northern California to preserve their cultural integrity and resist the destruction of tribal land.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● History— Social Science— Knowledge &amp; Cultural Understanding, Ethics &amp; Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>● Anthropology, Ethnic Studies</li> <li>● Environmental Science</li> <li>● CTE— Forestry &amp; Natural Resources</li> <li>● Community Service, Service Learning, Mentoring</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Forgive</u></b></p> <p><b>Learn how forgiveness toward themselves and others can dismantle barriers to building unity.</b></p>				
<b>Azim Khamisa</b> Educator Community Activist Peacemaker	60s	Middle Eastern	Azim Khamisa forgave the 14-year-old who killed his only son in San Diego. He then started a non-profit organization to educate youth on non-violence and forgiveness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Social Studies— Sociology, Political Science, Criminal Justice, Psychology, Ethics &amp; Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>● ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>● Community Service, Service Learning, Mentoring</li> </ul>
<b>Kiki Vo</b> Youth Activist	19	Vietnamese American	Kiki Vo made peace with her tragic history, freeing herself to pursue her dream of a college education and a full life. Still recovering from the fire that scarred her body, Kiki's indomitable spirit is a gift of hope to others whose challenges seem insurmountable.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● History— Social Studies— Historical Context, Sociology, Psychology</li> <li>● ELA— Metaphors And Figurative Language, Narration</li> <li>● CTE— Human Services</li> <li>● Community Service, Service Learning, Mentoring</li> </ul>

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<b>Organize</b>				
<b>Realize how organizing with others who share concerns is a powerful tool to for change.</b>				
<b>Brian Cox</b> Community Developer Gang Prevention	40s	African American	Brian Cox was instrumental in park rehabilitation, community organizing and neighbor-hood revitalization in South Central Los Angeles. His efforts brought warring gang members together to create a safety zone for children and adults in this area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History— Social Studies— Sociology, Ethics &amp; Human Rights</li> <li>• Leadership &amp; Teamwork</li> <li>• ELA— Oral &amp; Written Communication</li> <li>• Heath— Positive Health Practices</li> <li>• CTE— Public Service Industry</li> <li>• Community Service, Service Learning, Mentoring</li> </ul>
<b>Chukou Thao</b> Community Developer Civil Rights Activist	38	Hmong American	Chukou Thao organized Hmong farmers in California’s Central Valley to fight for equal rights through a national non-profit he started and continues to run.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History— Social Science— Knowledge &amp; Cultural Understanding, Historical Context, Ethics &amp; Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>• CTE— Agriculture, Agricultural Economics, Entrepreneurship</li> <li>• Community Service, Mentoring</li> </ul>
<b>Janet Miller</b> Educator Civil Rights Advocate	30s	Caucasian American	Janet Miller is a GBLT activist and teacher who started a Gay Straight Alliance Club in Hoover Middle School in San Francisco.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History— Social Science— Ethics &amp; Human Rights, Civic Value, Ethics &amp; Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>• CTE— Education</li> <li>• Service Learning, Mentoring</li> </ul>
<b>Protest</b>				
<b>Evaluate the effectiveness of nonviolent protest and identify ways it can be used to create social change.</b>				
<b>Erica Fernandez</b> Youth Activist Environmentalist Community Organizer	23	Mexican American	Erica Fernandez successfully protested a large oil company’s attempts to build an oil pipeline near the Oxnard, CA coastline. The pipeline would have caused damage and pollution to an area where most residents were migrant workers from Mexico.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History— Social Science— Democratic Understanding &amp; Civic Values, Ethics &amp; Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>• Science— Environmental Science</li> <li>• ELA— Research, Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>• Community Service, Service Learning, Mentoring</li> </ul>
<b>Fred Korematsu</b> Civil Rights Activist Community Organizer	86 (deceased)	Japanese American	Fred Korematsu is a civil rights advocate who protested the unconstitutional internment of Japanese Americans during WWII, resulting in a landmark Supreme Court ruling. The Civil Liberties Act of 1988 lead to the federal government’s apology to Japanese Americans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social Studies— History, Political Science</li> <li>• Law— Historical Thinking &amp; Analysis Skills, Ethics &amp; Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>• ELA— Research, Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>• Leadership/Teamwork</li> <li>• Community Service, Service Learning</li> </ul>

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<b>Dr. Vajra Watson and Andre Tillman</b> Educators Civil Rights Activists	30s, 20	Caucasian American	Dr. Vajra Watson and her mentee Andre Tillman use the spoken word to give youth voice and empower them to address the inequities of current education. Her organization, Sacramento Youth Speaks, is housed in UC Davis. Andrea Tillman is a successful poet, musician and poet mentor in the program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ELA— Poetry, Vocabulary, Speaking Application.</li> <li>• CTE— Arts, Media &amp; Entertainment— Steps &amp; Skills To Create Audio Presentations; Know The Writing Process For Various Media, Education— Teaching</li> <li>• Leadership And Teamwork</li> <li>• History— Social Science — Sociology</li> <li>• Community Service, Service Learning, Mentoring</li> </ul>
<p><b>Teach</b>  <b>Discover that all people have skills they can teach to empower others.</b></p>				
<b>Adarsha Shivakumar and Apoorva Ranga</b>	16, 17	Indian American	Adarsha and Apoorva started a non-profit to introduce a new fuel source to a village in South India. Their ability to educate rural Indian farmers about raising environmentally and economically sustainable crops has reduced poverty and greenhouse gas emissions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Science— Environmental Science</li> <li>• CTE— Energy &amp; Environmental Technology, Global Entrepreneurship</li> <li>• Leadership &amp; Teamwork</li> <li>• Community Service/Service Learning</li> </ul>
<b>Alana Garrett Ferguson</b>	18	African American	Alana Garrett started a bullying prevention and cross-age mentoring program that teaches elementary students how to empower themselves and other bystanders to combat bullying .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>• History Social Science— Psychology</li> <li>• Health— Health And Safe In Home And School Environments, Mental &amp; Emotional Health</li> <li>• CTE— Education, Health Support Services</li> <li>• Community Service/Service Learning</li> </ul>
<b>Laurence Tan</b>	30s	Asian American	Laurence is a teacher and youth advocate in South Central LA. Topic: Social Justice and Community Service.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>• History Social Science— Psychology</li> <li>• CTE— Education, Health Support Services</li> <li>• Community Service/Service Learning</li> </ul>

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<p><b><u>Express Yourself</u></b></p> <p>Realize that common tools of expression can be uncommon and powerful tools for social change.</p>				
<b>Charlotta Bass</b> Civil Rights Activist Journalist Politician	(deceased)	African American	Charlotta Bass's provocative journalism and courageous political activism were bold victories for civil rights— not just in Los Angeles but across the country. She was also the first female candidate for Vice President of the United States in the early 1950s.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>● History Social Science— Historical Interpretation, Human Rights Movements, Federal Civil And Voting Rights, Ethics And Legal Responsibilities</li> <li>● CTE— Public Service &amp; Media Pathway</li> </ul>
<b>Jose Montoya &amp; the Royal Chicano Air Force</b> Educator Civil Rights Activist Artist	70s	Chicano Mexican American	Jose Montoya helped found the RCAF with other sons of migrant farmers who found particular meaning in Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers' cause of improved wages and working condition of migrant workers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● History Social Science— Historical Interpretation, Human Rights Movements</li> <li>● VAPA— Creative Expression, Historical And Cultural Context</li> <li>● CTE— Design Arts Pathway</li> <li>● Ethics And Legal Responsibilities</li> </ul>
<b>Tadashi Nakamura</b> Filmmaker Youth Activist	20s	Japanese American	Tadashi Nakamura is a filmmaker whose grassroots activism starts with understanding the roots of ordinary people who, when they come together with a common vision, can do the extraordinary.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● History Social Science— Historical Interpretation, Human Rights Movements.</li> <li>● ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>● CTE— Arts, Media &amp; Entertainment— Production Arts Pathway</li> <li>● VAPA— Creative Expression, Historical &amp; Cultural Context</li> <li>● Community Service/Service Learning</li> </ul>
<b>Jennifer Gaxiola</b> Filmmaker Youth Activist	20s	Mexican American	Jennifer Gaxiola was bullied as a newcomer to the United States. Now she uses her creativity and passion for filmmaking to educate, inform and send an empowering message about unity to youth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● History Social Science— Historical Interpretation, Human Rights Movement</li> <li>● ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>● CTE— Arts, Media &amp; Entertainment Pathway</li> <li>● VAPA— Creative Expression, Historical &amp; Cultural Context</li> <li>● Community Service/Service Learning</li> </ul>

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<b>Slater Jewell Kemker</b> Filmmaker Reporter Youth Activist Environmentalist	17	Caucasian American	Slater Jewell Kemker is a filmmaker and reporter who celebrates the best of humanity by empowering young people to change the world with media and technology. She has travelled the globe as a youthful environmentalist inspiring other youth to join the movement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>● Environment And Natural Science</li> <li>● VAPA— Creative Expression, Historical &amp; Cultural Context</li> <li>● CTE— Arts, Media &amp; Entertainment</li> <li>● Community Service/Service Learning</li> </ul>
<p><b>Volunteer</b></p> <p><b>Understand the important role that volunteerism can play in building unity and creating social change.</b></p>				
<b>Demonte Smith</b> Youth activist Safe School Ambassador	14	African American	Demonte Smith is a Safe School Ambassador who inspired students to join together and turn a rising tide of bullying at his middle school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>● Health— Safety And School Climate</li> <li>● CTE— Human Services Pathway</li> <li>● Teambuilding/Leadership</li> <li>● Community Service/Service Learning</li> </ul>
<b>Alex Epstein</b> Youth Activist Community Developer	19	Caucasian American	Alex Epstein is a college student who was compelled to help rebuild New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. Inspired by locals' indomitable spirit, Alex formed NY2NO— New York to New Orleans —to involve other young people to continue the movement nationally.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ELA— Oral/Written Communication</li> <li>● History Social Science— Historical Context</li> <li>● Environment And Natural Resources</li> <li>● Teambuilding/ Leadership</li> <li>● Entrepreneurship</li> </ul>
<b>Jackie Rotman</b> Dancer Youth Activist	20	Caucasian American	Jackie Rotman loves dance and started Everybody Dance Now, an organization that provides free hip-hop dance lessons to young people. Her energy and passion for dance and volunteerism has inspired many to follow in her footsteps.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Physical Education— Professional Dance, Choreography</li> <li>● Community Service/Service Learning</li> <li>● Health</li> <li>● CTE— Arts, Media And Entertainment Industry— Performing Arts Pathway</li> <li>● Teambuilding/Leadership</li> <li>● Community Service/Service Learning/ Mentoring</li> </ul>