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in recent years the fields of psychology and human development have focused growing attention on issues of positive youth development this volume provides a tool that can be used by researchers practitioners and policy makers alike to build collective efforts to enhance the well being of youth professor hamilton is one of the most respected scholars in the country there is no doubt in my mind that this volume will not only make a significant contribution in the field but more important that it is a volume that will be

utilized across disciplines and professions francisco a villarruel michigan state university the conceptualization and comprehensiveness are excellent the book also deals with a newly emerging and exciting field and hence is at the forefront of research policy and practice a useful resource lonnie sherrod fordham university both timely and potentially very useful nothing nearly as inclusive as this youth development handbook now exists john kretzmann northwestern university a handbook like this is a good idea because of the interest in communities and colleges in this topic and because of the number of programs being developed targeted at adolescents i believe the book will serve as a useful reference for scholars policy makers and program development specialists there are no other comparable resources that focus on exemplary programs and community development issues philip newman university of rhode island what are the types of environments in which youth thrive how do we cultivate such environments to promote optimal development and positive behavior in youth the youth development handbook coming of age in american communities provides youth and development practitioners access to current theory and research in the field of youth development including illustrations of good practice original case studies and a contextual approach to such topics as youth participation and diversity because youth practitioners typically identify themselves with one or more contexts such as youth serving organizations or faith based organizations editors stephen f hamilton and mary agnes hamilton have arranged the book so that each chapter explores the application of youth development principles to its context drawing on current research part i of the book is organized around contexts in which adolescents grow up such as schools workplaces families peer groups youth serving organizations faith based organizations recreation groups juvenile courts health clinics neighborhoods and cyberspace part ii addresses broader issues such as evaluation funding and community wide initiatives and the concluding chapter identifies themes that cut across contexts including mentoring universal vs targeted approaches and evidence based practice features of this volume chapters written expressly for the book by established scholars committed to learning from the field and making research useful to practitioners in everyday life rather than a how to guide the book is a source of information and ideas for use in planning programs training practitioners and understanding the perspectives of partners in community collaborations original case studies provide illustrations of good practice in working with youth to optimize growth and development in varied settings such as the family school youth organizations and workplaces serves as both a useful reference and as a state of the art account of youth development as a field the youth development handbook is designed for scholars and researchers in applied developmental science as well as practitioners and policy makers who implement youth development initiatives the book is also recommended for use in graduate courses on youth development in the fields of psychology human development family studies and education

this handbook provides a comprehensive overview of youth development including theories and applications across different countries namely india the uk and australia it presents the status of youth and their role in society their education and their career perspectives the focus is on developing youth s internal abilities by providing a creative

and supportive environment through appropriate mentorship and encouragement it discusses a wide range of contemporary and relevant issues relating to holistic career growth of youth whereby youth work is recognized as a profession academicians from various disciplinary backgrounds offer conceptual and methodological perspectives chapters into five themes focus on a balance between developing stable protective factors for mental health and positive youth development to ensure appropriate cognitive social emotional and behavioral skills needed to thrive in an evolving world it discusses the status of the youth in terms of digital competency engagement of youth in sports teaching political process and community development activities in the present and rapidly altering world scenario the book also discusses the role of institution based family counseling for healthy youth development given its comprehensive coverage the handbook is an essential resource for a broad audience of youth researchers practitioners and policymakers of population sciences childhood and youth studies development studies and psychology

out of school time settings are powerful contexts for youth development when programs and services are intentionally designed youth development principles and practices in out of school time settings was written to increase the capacity of students and professionals to facilitate youths optimal transition to adulthood through maximizing the developmental benefits accrued by participating in out of school time programs and experiences peter a witt and linda l caldwell two well respected researchers in the youth development field have brought together a group of outstanding authors who provide an exceptional blend of theory and practice based information critical to anyone seeking to conceptualize design and evaluate out of school time programs all chapters are based on tenets of positive youth development necessary to enable youth to thrive the book is divided into five sections 1 youth development principles and foundational information e g youth today as well as an historical perspective on youth work 2 developing youths potential including specific chapters on leisure and recreation youth sport nature based activities and the arts 3 systematic program planning and evaluation of youth programs 4 the role of adults and families in the lives of youth 5 issues of diversity in youth development e g race and ethnicity immigrant lgbt and ability level a final chapter discusses the knowledge skills and behaviors necessary to become a skilled youth professional each chapter ends with thought provoking discussion questions and assignments that encourage application and further exploration of the chapters content the book is a must read for students and practitioners seeking to understand youth today and support their development through out of school time programs

on january 25 1996 the committee on youth development of the board on children youth and families convened a workshop to examine the implications of research on social settings for the design and evaluation of programs that serve youth the january workshop provided an opportunity for the committee to examine the strengths and limitations of existing research on interactions between social settings and adolescent development this research has drawn attention to the importance of understanding how when and

where adolescents interact with their families peers and unrelated adults in settings such as home school places of work and recreational sites this workshop builds on previous work of the national research council and reiterates its support for integrating studies of social settings into more traditional research on individual characteristics family functioning and peer relationships in seeking to describe and explain adolescent behavior and youth outcomes not only does this report examine the strengths and limitations of research on social settings and adolescence and identify important research questions that deserve further study in developing this field but it also explores alternative methods by which the findings of research on social settings could be better integrated into the development of youth programs and services specific themes include the impact of social settings on differences in developmental pathways role expectations and youth identity and decision making skills as well as factors that contribute to variations in community context

perhaps no other challenge is more pressing in creating developmentally tentative community and society the theme of this book series than mobilizing adultstoplayactive constructiverolesinthelivesofchildrenandadolescents in a society that too easily defaults to designing programs as cure alls for meeting young people s needs particular attention must be paid to understanding and mobilizing the kind of positive relational energy that prepares each successive generation to assume its place in society although programs and institutions certainlyplayimportantroles thekeyliesinthepersonalcommitment invol ment and investment of adults in young people s lives in mobilizing adults for positive youth development strategies for closing the gap between beliefs and behaviors e gil clary and jean e rhodes have ass bled the insights of leading scholars from multiple disciplines and contexts for engaging a broad cadre of adults as allies for youth development as the editors write thequestionguidingthebookis howcanwemosteffectivelyencourage adults both individually and collectively to begin to behave differently with spect to the young people of a community to do so consistently and to do so in a variety of ways what is being proposed then is nothing less than a social movement that engages individuals small groups neighborhoods workplaces schools faith communities and broader social institutions in attending to the well being and healthy development of young people

a team of researchers from five universities in hong kong have constructed a comprehensive positive youth development package for junior secondary school students in hong kong this project is called p a t h s positive adolescent training through holistic social programs and the package focuses on various aspects of positive youth development used by more than 250 secondary schools in hong kong research has been performed on the effectiveness and educational implications of the teaching package which opened a new page of study in the field of whole person education and youth education in chinese societies in view of the data collected so far the teaching package is well received by students teachers and educators in hong kong the new curriculum covered in this book is closely related to the emerging adolescent

developmental issues in hong kong and the global contexts

provides an introductory overview of the professional practice of youth work and youth development this book captures the elements that make youth work a unique and powerful experience for those working with young people topics include adolescence as a life stage historical perspectives approaches and orientations to youth work practical program and leadership strategies ethics multi culturalism policy formation professional career development and more

this volume builds understanding of practices in youth and community development that create or build social capital assets at the individual group and community levels the authors explore whether programs contribute to the development of social capital at the individual and community scales thereby fostering and enhancing positive youth development as well as community development it includes articles on defining and measuring social capital through instruments designed to document impact and also to engage program participants the authors then discuss program practices that build social capital in a wide range of youth development settings from community based service learning to 4 h community clubs finally they focus on building social capital in particular contexts including work in rural communities with the most vulnerable youth the volume is designed to help practitioners refine their dual focus on youth and community development clarify constructs that help translate the public value of positive youth development to community stakeholders provide examples of practices that link youth and youth programs more intentionally to the social relationships that knit communities together this is the 138th volume of new directions for youth development the jossey bass quarterly report series dedicated to bringing together everyone concerned with helping young people including scholars practitioners and people from different disciplines and professions

social settings have enormous power to promote or hinder positive youth development researchers and practitioners know a great deal about features of schools and programs for youth that affect development but much less about how to transform settings to bring about these desirable features this book shows how to harness the power of settings it shifts the debate from simply enhancing youth outcomes at the individual level to improving the settings of youths daily lives the book offers researchers and practitioners blueprints for creating and changing influential settings including classrooms schools universities out of school time programs ethnic systems of supplementary education and other community based programs leading scholars in psychology education human development sociology anthropology economics law and public policy discuss a wide array of social change strategies and describe how to measure key features of settings as a target and guide for change the authors also demonstrate how larger social structures such as school districts community coalitions community data resources can support change many of the chapters describe ways to make settings work for all youth including those marginalized by reason of race ethnicity social class or sexual orientation toward positive youth development will guide researchers

educators administrators and policy makers to improve schools and youth programs for all of america s youth

the youth of the world are our most important assets when youth develop positively they have the power to benefit themselves their families communities and societies these tremendous benefits accrue for many generations so investments in youth represent a highly cost effective opportunity for positive change this is the first volume to focus globally on the effects of social and economic change on youth and on the opportunity to support youth through policy programs and interventions to develop positively despite challenges the chapters in this volume highlight research demonstrating youth assets and resilience as well as programs and interventions that increase the likelihood that youth will thrive many chapters also draw attention to opportunities for youth leadership helping youth to develop their strengths as they benefit their communities additional chapters focus on promoting optimal youth development in the presence of adversity risk or challenge taking into consideration the potential and capacity of the young person finally the ecological system theory is a strong influence in many chapters that examine the inter relationship of different social contexts such as family peers school and work positive youth development in global contexts of social and economic change is both a vision for the future and an ideology supported by a new international vocabulary for engaging with youth development developed by researchers across interdisciplinary fields the volume has enormous policy implications for lawmakers given the surge in youth population in many parts of the world

the first positive youth development title to focus on the role of sport this book brings together high profile contributors from diverse disciplines to critically examine the ways in which sport can be and has been used to promote youth development young people are too frequently looked upon as problems waiting to be solved from the perspective of positive youth development pyd young people are understood to embody potential awaiting development involvement with sport provides a developmental context that has been associated with pyd but negative outcomes can also arise from sport participation and school pe sport itself does not lead to pyd rather it is the manner in which sport is structured and delivered to children that influences their development positive youth development through sport fills a void in the literature by bringing together experts from diverse disciplines to critically examine the ways in which sport can be and has been used to promote youth development

this book presents positive youth development research in easy to understand concepts that have direct and clear application to youth development practice using the 4 h thriving model as an example it discusses key areas of youth development research such as developmental settings learning and development and youth thriving in the context of their relevance to effective youth development practice each chapter examines a particular aspect of youth development research providing a succinct summary of the topic detailing implications for youth development practice and offering guidance for translating the research into practice contributors introduce the need for high quality

science based youth development programs the importance of high quality youth development settings critical facets of youth thriving and the benefits of such programs to society writ large key areas of coverage include the science of learning and development as well as the role of learning and meaning making positive youth development program models and high quality youth program settings youth belonging and equity in youth programming developmental relationships challenge and growth mindset and prosocial development as well as purpose hope and identity transcendent awareness emotional regulation and self regulation and goal setting positive youth development is an essential resource for all professionals clinicians and practitioners as well as researchers educators and graduate students in developmental psychology child and adolescent psychiatry school psychology clinical social work public health education and all related disciplines

using the experience from the united states on positive youth development researchers in hong kong developed the project p a t h s trained the potential program implementers and evaluated the developed programs because of the overwhelming success of the project in hong kong the project was piloted in mainland china for several years this project supported by the tin ka ping foundation was piloted in four cities in east china shanghai suzhou changzhou and yangzhou from 2011 to 2014 in this book we present the training program in mainland china and also a leadership project for university students at the hong kong polytechnic university the chapters underscore the importance of evaluation and we hope that the findings will motivate university teachers and others to utilise positive youth development principles within and outside of hong kong

after school programs scout groups community service activities religious youth groups and other community based activities have long been thought to play a key role in the lives of adolescents but what do we know about the role of such programs for today s adolescents how can we ensure that programs are designed to successfully meet young people s developmental needs and help them become healthy happy and productive adults community programs to promote youth development explores these questions focusing on essential elements of adolescent well being and healthy development it offers recommendations for policy practice and research to ensure that programs are well designed to meet young people s developmental needs the book also discusses the features of programs that can contribute to a successful transition from adolescence to adulthood it examines what we know about the current landscape of youth development programs for america s youth as well as how these programs are meeting their diverse needs recognizing the importance of adolescence as a period of transition to adulthood community programs to promote youth development offers authoritative guidance to policy makers practitioners researchers and other key stakeholders on the role of youth development programs to promote the healthy development and well being of the nation s youth

this edited text focuses on positive approaches to youth development that are rapidly supplanting the traditional deficit oriented problem reduction approach the book addresses the question what does it take to create a community that will promote the positive opportunities that can optimize the development of all young people the book draws together the perspectives of top names and programs in positive youth development thus assuring readers of authoritative cutting edge coverage

this book presents the results of the longitudinal 4 h study of positive youth development the volume discusses how self regulation and contextual resources e g strong relationships with parents peers and the community can be fostered in young people to contribute to the enhancement of functioning throughout life each chapter examines a particular aspect of youth thriving and offers findings on either the bases or the role of positive development in a variety of outcomes from reduced risk of emotional problems and harmful behaviors to increased participation in the community contributors introduce a contemporary model of positive development for diverse youth provide examples of effective youth development programs and suggest applications for informing the next generation of policies and practices among the featured topics the regulation of emotion in adolescence school engagement academic achievement and positive youth development peer relationships and positive youth development identity development in adolescence and the implications for youth policy and practice promoting adolescent sexual health in youth programming a positive youth development approach to bullying researchers in developmental psychology as well as practitioners in educational or youth development programs or policies will gain from promoting positive youth development a new appreciation of the central role of young people s strengths and initiatives to build effective youth programs this volume is destined to become the handbook for anyone interested in the burgeoning field of positive youth development based on ground breaking longitudinal research from top researchers in the field promoting healthy development for america s youth presents a rich theoretically grounded understanding of the landscape today s youth and programs the contributors provide clear data driven guidance regarding the types of programs and settings that are most beneficial to young people jean e rhodes ph d frank l boyden professor department of psychology university of massachusetts boston

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