

# WELCOME

WEST VIRGINIA

YOUTH LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE





# The future!

**“We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.”**

**Franklin Roosevelt**



Your unique thoughts,  
ideas, and energy give you  
**POWER!**

Use that positive  
**POWER!**

to get more from your life.

Your **POWER** can lead  
you to new skills and  
special accomplishments.



# The National Youth Leadership Initiative helps you find and use your personal POWER!

- You create a project just for you.
- You set goals for yourself, then work to achieve them.
- And you see results!
- You'll have new experiences, learn about yourself, and feel pride in reaching a goal.
- Plus, you can earn recognition from your local coalition as well as state and national organizations.



**The skills you learn  
in NYLI will help  
you now and in the  
future -  
in school, with  
friends and family,  
and in your  
community.**



# NYLI is for you!

- Have you ever thought about a special goal?
- Maybe you would like to develop better study habits, cope with a physical challenge, get along with family members, improve relationships, become a leader - or any other personal goal.



# NYLI is for you!

You work with others in a team, choose the direction to move forward, and create a plan of action to meet your goals!



# NYLI Gives You...

- **A Better You**—improve on a personal trait
- **Family Ties**—get along better with family members
- **Working on Working**—explore and prepare for careers
- **Take the Lead**—develop leadership qualities
- **Speak Out for CADCA and Coalitions**—tell others about your community



# NYLI offers the opportunity to -

- Examine who you are and who you CAN be!
- Work alone and at your own pace
- Tackle personal projects
- Explore a special interest
- Learn to set goals and make decisions
- Develop leadership skills
- Receive recognition for your efforts



# Make your goals come true with NYLI. It's as easy as--

1. Choose a personal concern/issue.
2. Create a plan of attack.
3. Carry out steps to meet your goal.



# WHAT will NYLI do for YOU??

The NYLI project is an individual process where YOU create your message to change YOUR COMMUNITY!



# HOW MUCH TIME do I have to spend?

You will get out of this project what you put in to this project!

Over the next year, you will work with your leaders to accomplish goals and show what your **COMMUNITY** has to offer.



# Follow these steps for each NYLI project:

- Identify / Map the issue
- Meet with your advisor and/or coalition regularly
- Complete your project
- Submit the project to your advisor and/or evaluation team
- Be recognized by submitting forms at local and state levels.



# WHO will help guide me in this project?

You will have an advisor to guide you through your NYLI project.

Your coalition can help you select an appropriate issue, put you in touch with useful resources, and evaluate how well you achieve your goals.



# Power of One Recognition

- The NYLI project offers many rewards. You'll have new experiences, learn about yourself, and develop useful skills. Your project(s) can add to your learning and become part of your student portfolio.
- Your hard work will also be recognized at three levels--local, state, and national CADCA.



**You or your advisor will be  
recognized for each NYLI Event  
you complete**

**Continual Information is available  
at  
[www.coalitionsforabetterwv.org](http://www.coalitionsforabetterwv.org)  
and on**

**facebook®**



**Your coalition may plan special recognition for members who are involved in NYLI outreach activities, such as placing notices in the school newspaper or giving helium balloons, stickers, or ribbons.**



# Community Service

Take action in your  
community and  
discover the difference  
you can make!!!!



# Dynamic Leadership

Try new leadership experiences and investigate exciting topics through interactive participation in various activities. Dynamic Leadership interacts with all National Programs.



# The POWER of NYLI

Give yourself the power to make a positive change in your families, school, and communities...

One goal at a time.



Each of us has the  
**POWER** to fulfill  
our dreams.  
It only takes one  
person  
to make change  
happen.  
That person is  
**YOU!**



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