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Community Youth Events (CYE) is a community based organization in Meridian, MS whose vision is To create a safe and supportive environment and make a difference in the lives of the youth of our community.

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Brothers Brooks Vision 2 Mission LLC(BBV2M) and Community Youth Events (CYE) have teamed to bring greater awareness to our communities in regards to our missing children who may be runaways, involved in human trafficking or being exploited. Our mission is to provide you with useful information and resources to help you be diligent and aware of the huge epidemic that is engulfing our youth. We believe that -

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# Youth Runaways



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## What is A Youth Runaway?

A youth who has run away, especially from their family or an institution with no intent on returning.

## Statistics on Youth Runaway?

How many teens run away each year? According to the Department of Health, more than 1 million teenagers run away from home each year. The National Runaway Switchboard reports that 86% of runaways are between the ages of 14 to 17 and 74% are female, while 26% are male.

## Some Reasons Youth Runaway

Youth who become runaways or are homeless may do so for any of the following reasons: involvement in the juvenile justice or child welfare systems, abuse, neglect, abandonment, severe family conflict, peer pressure, sexual orientation or bullying .

## Not so Bright Future

Runaway and homeless youth have high rates of involvement in the juvenile justice system, are more likely to engage in substance use and delinquent behavior, be teenage parents, drop out of school, suffer from sexually transmitted diseases, run the risk of being exploited or caught up in human trafficking



## Tips for Parents

(From National Runaway Safe Line)

1. Your relationship with your child is always more important than an issue.
2. Communication is key. Listening is a skill, so it is important to hear your children out before rendering judgment or an opinion.
3. Tell your children that you will listen to them and talk with them no matter what the topic, worry, or concern and that nothing they do will make you stop loving them.
4. Validate your teen's point of view. Sometimes kids just want to know that you hear what they say, even if you don't agree.
5. Collaborate on rules. Your teen is more likely to comply with rules he or she helped set up.
6. Teens are going to make mistakes. It's a part of the process of growing up. Let them know you will still be there when they stumble and fall.
7. If your child tells you or shows signs of being bullied, don't ignore it and hope it goes away. Document it and contact your child's school.
8. Tell your child that it's okay to get angry and to express it in a healthy way.
9. Treat your child as you would like to be treated.

