



FACETS Awarded \$21,688 from The Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation!

On May 30, 2008, The Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation granted FACETS \$21,668 to implement the Positive Action and Youth Media Network programs. Youths between the ages of 9 and 13 residing in the public housing communities of Barros Circle, Ragan Oaks and Robinson square will be able to benefit from these two programs.

The Positive Action program integrates the Thoughts-Actions-Feelings circle to resist negative peer pressures and to prevent and reduce tobacco, alcohol, and drug use. This program will be implemented using a silver model, which is 60 lessons equaling approximately 15 hours.

The Youth Media Network's interactive Tobacco Education Curriculum empowers youth to address their peers concerning tobacco prevention via creative communication. FACETS will partner with Fairfax Public Access to create a public service announcement that will be aired on local channel 10 after the 12 one hour sessions of the program have concluded.