

# Hopeful Approach When Youth Cause Harm: Little of Justice, Much of Peacebuilding

**A groundbreaking approach to youth violence that focuses on peacebuilding rather than punishment**

In the wake of a recent spate of youth violence, many communities are struggling to find effective ways to address the problem. Traditional approaches to youth justice, which focus on punishment and retribution, have proven to be largely ineffective. In fact, they can often make the problem worse by alienating youth and creating a cycle of violence.



## Little Book of Family Group Conferences New Zealand Style: A Hopeful Approach When Youth Cause Harm (Little Books of Justice & Peacebuilding) by Allan MacRae

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*Hopeful Approach When Youth Cause Harm: Little of Justice, Much of Peacebuilding* offers a new and innovative approach to youth violence. This book, written by a team of leading experts in the field, provides a comprehensive framework for creating safer communities that are free from violence.

The book begins by examining the root causes of youth violence, including poverty, inequality, and trauma. It then goes on to describe a range of evidence-based strategies for preventing and responding to youth violence. These strategies are based on the principles of peacebuilding, which focus on building relationships, resolving conflict peacefully, and creating a sense of community.

## **Chapter 1: The Root Causes of Youth Violence**

The first chapter of the book explores the root causes of youth violence. The authors argue that violence is not simply a matter of individual choice, but rather a product of the social and economic conditions in which young people live.

The authors identify a number of factors that contribute to youth violence, including:

- Poverty
- Inequality
- Trauma
- Lack of opportunity
- Exposure to violence

The authors argue that these factors create a breeding ground for violence. They also point out that young people who are exposed to violence are more likely to become victims of violence themselves.

## **Chapter 2: The Principles of Peacebuilding**

The second chapter of the book describes the principles of peacebuilding. Peacebuilding is a process that focuses on building relationships, resolving conflict peacefully, and creating a sense of community.

The authors argue that peacebuilding is essential for preventing and responding to youth violence. They point out that peacebuilding can help to:

- Reduce poverty and inequality
- Heal trauma
- Create opportunities for young people
- Reduce exposure to violence
- Build relationships between young people and their communities

The authors provide a number of examples of peacebuilding programs that have been successful in reducing youth violence.

### **Chapter 3: Strategies for Preventing Youth Violence**

The third chapter of the book provides a range of evidence-based strategies for preventing youth violence. These strategies are based on the principles of peacebuilding and focus on creating safe and supportive communities for young people.

The authors describe a number of different strategies, including:

- Mentoring programs
- After-school programs
- Community violence prevention programs

- Trauma-informed care
- Restorative justice

The authors provide a detailed description of each strategy and discuss the evidence for its effectiveness in reducing youth violence.

## Chapter 4: Strategies for Responding to Youth Violence

The fourth chapter of the book provides a range of evidence-based strategies for responding to youth violence. These strategies



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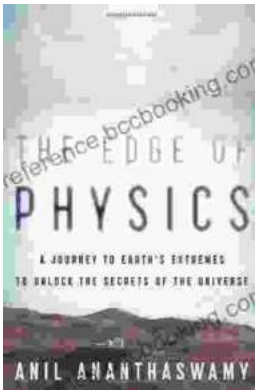
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