2017 Leadership Training Retreat

Youth from across the state of Delaware came together on August 2-4, 2017 in Newark, DE to plan for the 2017-2018 KBG year. New youth to the statewide leadership team participated in training on how to best lead their Force, the workings of the KBG and how to be the best youth tobacco-free activist! In addition to training, KBG Force Captains had a BLAST trying to escape the Escape Room! A new strategic plan was created by the youth as to the direction in which they want the KBG to head. Way to go all!
The KBG statewide leadership team was established during the Leadership Training Retreat.

Youth nominated and voted for 6 positions within the KBG statewide organization. They choose the leaders
they thought would represent them and the KBG.

*Pictured top left to right, Doris Almonte - Mission Committee Chair, Hannah Mackey - Kent County Chair, Claire Trimble - Sussex County Chair, Sehlea Moise - New Castle County Chair, Leleah Moise - Communications Committee Chair and Queen Cornish - Statewide Chair*
Upcoming Statewide Events

LUNG FORCE Walk - Rehoboth Beach, DE

October 15, 2017- 11:00 AM

Join us as we walk together to raise awareness and funds to defeat lung cancer and raise our voices for lung health. Together, we are a FORCE to be reckoned with! We encourage you to form a team, register as an individual or participate virtually. KBG Force Captains will be establishing LUNG FORCE teams for Force Members to join and agree to participate. As KBG Members, transportation and lunch will be provided -- FREE!

Why Do We Walk?

Lung cancer is the #1 cancer killer of women.

Anyone can get it – if you have lungs, you can get lung cancer, and it's on the rise in women.
More than 32 million Americans suffer from asthma, COPD (which includes emphysema and chronic bronchitis), and other lung diseases.

By joining our LUNG FORCE Walk and raising funds, you can help make a difference in lives that desperately need it. Now is the time to raise our voices against lung cancer—and for lung health. Visit the [LUNG FORCE Walk - Rehoboth Beach](#) page.

![Image of LUNG FORCE Walk participants]

**Forces prepare to head back-to-school!**

KBG Force Captains are going to participate in back-to-school events in just a few weeks. Look for KBG Forces participating in back-to-school nights, open houses and Freshmen orientation events, to name a
few. KBG will be giving out awesome SWAG to those who stop by their tables/displays. Event planning and outreach activities were focus of the Leadership Training Retreat.

KBG Year In Review
KBG Forces participated in numerous activities throughout the 2016-2017 year. The KBG came together to put on statewide events, too. KBG was present at the 2017 Special Olympics of Delaware Summer Games. It has been a couple of years since the KBG was involved and we were so happy to be back! We cannot wait to see all of the athletes next year.
KBG awarded 6 scholarships to youth who were involved in tobacco control while in high school. The scholarships are awarded to assist our tobacco-control activist in pursuing higher education. Awardees were recognized at our Annual Recognition Dinner.
Do you want something published in the next edition of the KBG Voice?

Send any submissions, pictures, text, graphics or topics to Matt.Coyle@lung.org and it could be featured in the next edition of KBG Voice!

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