

H.Y.P.E. (Helping Young People Elevate) Launches In Savannah To Combat Youth Violence With Media, Tech, And Life Skills



Savannah, Georgia Nov 28, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - A critical new initiative, **H.Y.P.E. (Helping Young People Elevate)**, is launching in Savannah to empower youth and become an intricate part of the community's crime-reduction strategy. The community-based organization will teach **media production, creative storytelling, communication, and essential life skills** to young people aged

13–25.

H.Y.P.E. directly addresses the need for creative outlets and skills training in underserved communities, especially following a concerning trend of increased **violent crime among young people** in 2024, despite an overall 20% drop in violent crime for the city.

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A New Hub for Youth Leadership: The HYPE House

The centerpiece of the program will be the “**HYPE House**,” a central hub providing a safe, after-school and weekend home away from home for youth. At the HYPE House, participants will receive **hands-on training** in modern media and vital life skills:

- **Media Production:** Podcasting, audio production, filmmaking, photography, and digital content creation.
- **Life Skills:** Daily communication, cooking, cleaning, car repair, paying bills, and learning how to drive.

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Seeking Community Support

H.Y.P.E. is actively seeking **financial support, volunteers, and mentors** to launch the HYPE House and sustain its programming. The organization is a movement built on the belief that when young people have access to the right tools and mentorship, they elevate themselves and their entire community.

H.Y.P.E. is currently seeking:

- **Community Mentors:** Professionals in creative, technical, or business fields.
- **Sponsors & Donors:** Individuals and organizations ready to invest in youth innovation.
- **Volunteers:** Supporters to assist with workshops, events, and outreach.

About H.Y.P.E.’s Founder & Executive Director

John “J. Michaels” Garrett is a versatile professional and a Beach Bulldog graduate with a degree in Marketing Management from Savannah Tech. He currently serves with the Chatham County Sheriff Department. John is an experienced voice talent, producer for his company **FLOW Media & Music**, and a former radio and television host. He is also the Founder and Director of the **W.A.T.K. (What About the Kids) Radio Camp**, dedicated to assisting children through initiatives like the “Christmas for Kids Campaign”.

John’s foundational belief is simple: to build communities, we must build relationships, and to build relationships, we must **COMMUNICATE**.

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