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**NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR COMMUNITY AND JUSTICE  
SUMMER CAMP IMPROVES POLICE & YOUTH RELATIONS,  
FOSTERS RESPECT BETWEEN GROUPS**

*More Than 75 Inner City Youth To Participate July 10-14, 2006  
Chief Streicher to Visit Camp on July 13th*

CINCINNATI, OH – July 10, 2006 – The National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) will host more than 75 inner-city youth at its annual Police/Youth “Live-In” summer camp program July 10-14, 2006 at Joy Outdoor Education Center, at 10117 Old 3C Highway in Clarksville. The week-long camp is designed to help build positive relationships while fostering understanding and respect, between inner-city youth and Cincinnati Police Officers.

Cincinnati Police Chief Tom Streicher will visit the camp and join the officers and youth for dinner on Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. (Media are welcome)

Students attending the camp are preteens representing a variety of communities, including Over-the-Rhine, the West End, Avondale, Evanston, Bond Hill, Roselawn, Madisonville, Price Hill, Westwood/Cheviot, Kennedy Heights, Northside and College Hill.

“This unique program provides opportunity for youth and police to live, work and play together. Through camp activities and group discussions the participants are able to improve their relationships. We know from recent human relations research data that young people are more accepting of diverse groups, and this program capitalizes on that fact,” said Robert “Chip” Harrod, executive director of NCCJ.

The Police/Youth Live-In Program is in its 35<sup>th</sup> year and is one of several collaborations of the NCCJ and Cincinnati Police Department for improving police-community relations. For more information about the Police/Youth Live-In program, please call Christine Jarman at NCCJ at 513-381-4660.

**About the National Conference for Community and Justice**

The National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) is a human relations organization dedicated to fighting bias, bigotry and racism. NCCJ promotes understanding and respect among all races, religions and cultures through advocacy, conflict resolution and education. NCCJ is a non-partisan organization that works with individuals and organizations to facilitate institutional changes through its programs, advocacy and research. NCCJ has served the Greater Cincinnati community since 1944 and this past year became an independent affiliate of the national organization. For more information, go to [www.nccjincincinnati.org](http://www.nccjincincinnati.org).

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