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Columbus Division of Police and Columbus Recreation and Parks Department Collaborate to Host a 'Pathway to Greatness'

The Columbus Division of Police in partnership with the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department is proud to announce the *Pathway to Greatness*, a youth summit providing family resources and services to help deter or deduce youth gun violence on Sunday, September 17, 2023, from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Columbus Commons.

This free event, designed for young individuals ages 13 to 17 and their guardians is a concentrated effort by law enforcement and community partners to address the pressing issue of gun violence in our city. The event will feature engaging activities, inspirational speakers, and empowering entertainment to inspire positive change in our youth.

Micah Dixon, a renowned radio personality, will serve as the host, bringing her unique energy and charisma to the event. She will provide attendees with activities and engagement that will make this event impactful and memorable.

The highlight of *Pathway to Greatness* will be the keynote address by Dominic "DJ" Jones, co-founder of Legacy U and a respected figure who has dedicated his life to preparing at-risk youth for college and beyond. DJ's powerful message will undoubtedly resonate with the young audience, inspiring them to take an active role in creating a safer future.

Adding to the excitement, we are thrilled to announce a live musical performance by the talented musical artist Yaves. His music and presence promise to uplift and engage attendees, creating a vibrant and positive atmosphere throughout the event.

In addition to the engaging program, the youth summit will provide access to various vendors who will offer valuable resources and assistance to youth and their families. These vendors will cover a wide range of topics, including education, mental health, conflict resolution, and community support services.