KEY DEVELOPMENTAL NEEDS OF ADOLESCENCE

- Safe and satisfying ways to explore the world and take healthy risks to test out new ideas and experiences
- Positive ways to earn respect and social status among peers and adults
- Real-world scenarios in which to build decision-making and emotional regulation skills
- Experiences that help define personal values, goals, and a positive sense of identity
- Avenues to develop a sense of meaning and purpose by contributing to peers, families, and communities
- Warmth and support from parents and other caring adults

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