



**Youthville**

## Media Release

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### **Youthville Partners with NAACP for first annual “New Beginnings” Young Women’s Retreat**

*Wichita, Kan., Aug. 22, 2008* – Youthville and the Wichita Branch NAACP are hosting a “New Beginnings” Young Woman’s retreat on Aug. 22 and 23 at Riverview Retreat Community, 5225 N. Sullivan Rd. The retreat will provide teen-mothers who have been in Youthville foster care with a unique opportunity to be pampered with manicures and facials along with learning life-skills and mentoring.

“This event will be the first of what will become an annual series designed to address the social and family issues facing the African American community,” said Kevin Myles, NAACP Wichita Branch President and CEO. “We hope that this event will inspire the young attendees.”

#### **Schedule of Events**

##### **Friday, Aug. 22**

5 p.m. - Facials/Make-up tips  
7 p.m. - Manicures

##### **Saturday, Aug. 23**

9 a.m. - Welcome by Mayor Carl Brewer  
9:15 a.m. - Effective Ways to Communicate  
10:15 a.m. - Learn to Fill Out Job Application  
11 a.m. - How to Conduct Yourself During a Job Interview  
2 p.m. - Ways to Dress For Success

“This retreat will feature women in the community who have gone through foster care, had children at a very young age and became prosperous business professionals,” said Sandra Gasca, Chief of Programs at Youthville. “We really feel like the retreat is going to give these girls hope. We want them to believe in themselves and know that they can become anything the want to.”

Youthville’s vision is to provide the best sources of help to children who have been abused, abandoned, or neglected with its mission of ***Giving Children Back Their Childhood***. Over 3,000 children are cared for annually by Youthville. To learn more or to get involved with Youthville visit [www.youthville.org](http://www.youthville.org)

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