

# VISION BUILDER ADVENTURES

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Unleashing young minds through exploratory travel and mentorship programs.

## VISION BUILDERS

### DARE TO DREAM

*53% of African American boys are high school Drop outs. (Yes We Can: The Schott 50 State Report on Public Education and Black Males 2010.)*

*¼ of high school African American Drop outs end up in our criminal justice system. (School Choice Issues in the State)*

*(The High Cost of Low Graduation Rates in North Carolina)*

*Each year, almost 750,000 U.S. women aged 15-19 become pregnant, of which 11% of them are African American.*

*(Current U.S. Statistics, Numbers and Facts on Teen Pregnancy and Teen Abortion)*

Research has shown that future business leaders and entrepreneurs make decisions based on their exposure in life.

They consider it a competitive advantage. Exposure opens up new horizons and encourages people to step out of their rut.

Exposure expands our vision and can make the impossible seem possible, per Forbes magazine.

(Forbes magazine, Ten Ways Travel Can Make You a better Business Leader.(11/11/11)

Vision Builder Adventures(VBA) feels that one of the problems contributing to the rise in high school drop-out rates and teen pregnancy is a lack of vision due to lack of exposure. Exposure helps youth expand their horizon and give them an opportunity to see outside of their current circumstances and/or environment. It gives them something to hope for and believe in and thereby could positively affect their decision making. We hope that we can help our young leaders understand how their now decisions (good or bad) will affect their future outcomes.



Washington DC

Our focus is to educate and improve kid's lives through educational trips. Our programs include;

### **The Great Vision Quest**

- A journey into the past.
- The Power of a dream.
- Your futures bright.
- No excuses. (UNLEASH!)

# It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men – Frederick Douglass



## UNLEASH!! 5 WEEK PROGRAM

Most of us live in a "proverbial" box. We confine ourselves within this box for many reasons. Reasons like our social, economical, and cultural backgrounds. Within this box, we develop associations, and we do certain activities. We develop our outlook on life (good or bad) within this confinement. Because of this box, our kids many times don't rise above their environment. Our 5 Week Excursion program will help them to begin to understand; who they are?, What they can do?, What they can be?, and understand it's okay to think outside the box.

## ABOUT US

Vision Builders Adventures is a nonprofit 501c3 Christian organization. We have been organizing kids trips since 2003. Vision Builder Adventures (VBA) is a travel group/ community organization providing programs for elementary and middle school youth in the North Carolina Region. The program forms partnerships with local school districts, churches and community organizations. Vision Builders goal is to expose children to different exploratory travel excursions, which will help them develop stronger interpersonal skills, and reassert a sense of hope in the future. VBA is a program that is in direct response to the growing number of young people that are either falling through the cracks at school, pregnant or are already entangled with the juvenile court system. The goal of the program is to identify youths that may have a turbulent transition to high school and offer positive support system to avoid the pitfalls that can derail their academic performance. The focus of VBA is to empower the young person to make positive changes in his/her life. And Unleash their God given talents, and be all they are called to be.

## \$3 Unleash!

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2013 Fundraiser

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