



1st Annual Challenge 2015

Focal Question: How can we find ways to help homeless children and youth in Denver?

2015 Winners List

The following Teams placed 1st, 2nd, and 3rd:

1st Place: Team Red Alert

Youth Team from: **Denver Mayor's Youth Commission**

Adult Mentor: **Jessica Allen**

Adult Team Leader:

Team Members:

- **Estee Dechtman**
- **Kimmia Franklin**
- **Selma Mohamed**
- **Lupe Urbina**

Focus:

Created a period pack, which provided menstrual supplies and hygiene products, as well as critical resources to homeless females.

2nd Place: Team Wallflowers

Youth Team from: **Girls Inc. of Metro Denver**

Adult Mentor: **Star Lucero**

Adult Team Leader:

Team Members:

- **Salma Arango**
- **Diana Garcia**
- **M.J. Pereya**
- **Aide Perez**
- **Alejandra Perez**

Focus:

Our team goal was to empower homeless LGBTIQA youth in Denver by providing safety resources such as Self-Defense lessons in the parks and community of Denver as well as provide water and snacks and resources through street outreach.

3rd Place: Team: Not me

Youth Team from: **Young Americans Center for Financial Education**

Adult Mentor: **Maura McInerney**

Adult Team Leader:

Team Members:

- **Bryan Aguilar**
- **Jose Catarino**
- **José M. Rosales Yañez**

Focus:

Developed technology applications that provide resources to homeless youth.

The following Teams won as Runner Up for outstanding presentation:

Runner Up: Team Golden Ticket

Youth Team from: **Cope Boys and Girls Club of Metro Denver**

Adult Mentors: **Samantha Raso, Tristen Smith (Morgan Stanley)**

Adult Team Leader:

Team Members:

- **Isaiah Barnes**
- **Anastasia Pierre**
- **Mikaela Recendez**

Focus:

Helping homeless youth through programs at the Cope Boys & Girls Club as well as donate clothes and other valuable materials to Urban Peak and other homeless youth facilities in Denver.

Runner Up: Team Little Einsteins

Youth Team from: **Think Like A Genius Foundation**

Adult Mentor: **Eric Siler**

Adult Team Leader:

Team Members:

- **Moises Banuelos**
- **Amber Corbett**
- **Amado Delgado**
- **Gabriela Molinar-Castillo**

Focus:

Provide social media messaging to show that homeless youth are not hopeless, as well as provide 3 homeless youth with sleeping bags and back packs, along with other important resources for them to access.