## Hello! My Name is David!

I am optimistic when experiencing new things. After learning about the NextGen program I am excited to grow as a person and implement everything that it encompasses.

I have always enjoyed contributing to the community that surrounds me even if that means taking personal risks or feeling small at times; I believe that we can start making positive changes expressing ourselves truly to what we believe in, to others, ethically, despite our differences.

I am encouraged to go out and try new things that I know will make a difference in my life and others and ultimately the greater community. Being an amateur photographer, for example, has taught me to look at things differently to understand different points of views and understand the bigger picture of things. In addition, I consider myself an amateur enthusiast, being part of a boxing and CrossFit community. Always walking away with deeper context, a satisfaction only personal achievement can provide me with.

Although I am not fully aware of *all* the issues that we face as individuals, I am confident that by being involved in this opportunity I will not only learn to become aware of the issues, but develop skills that will help us diminish the negative aspects of those issues. I aspire to work with others while learning how to work independently, in hopes of bettering my community and our world.