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*****MEDIA ALERT***CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENT*****

YLC to host panel, video screening on gun violence and youth in New Orleans

- WHO:** [Young Leadership Council \(YLC\)](#)
- WHAT:** YLC will host a video screening of the documentary “Shell Shocked”, followed by a panel on youth and crime in New Orleans.
- WHEN:** **Tuesday, April 23, 2013**
6:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** **Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities**
938 Lafayette St.
New Orleans, LA
[\(Map\)](#)
- HOW:** YLC will show the documentary “Shell Shocked”, followed by a panel that includes the following speakers: Dana Kaplan, Juvenile Justice Project; Ryan Dalton, NOLA4Life; Bob Brown, New Orleans Business Council; and John Richie, “Shell Shocked” Filmmaker among others.
- WHY:** Since its inception in 1986, Young Leadership Council has sought to improve the quality of life for all New Orleanians. In recent years, violent crime has been at the forefront of our minds and at the center of many conversations; it is a problem that affects us all.

The documentary “Shell Shocked” chronicles the cycle of violence in New Orleans by following the lives of several teenagers who have lost someone close to them due to violence. It seeks to identify positive solutions to the problem of violence in New Orleans, and highlights several organizations that are actively working with youth to reduce violence. “Shell Shocked” has been featured at the Myrtle Beach film festival, and mentioned by CNN and the Huffington Post.

The Young Leadership Council is a non-profit, non-partisan civic organization created to develop leadership through community projects. Through volunteer-created community projects, the YLC recruits and retains young professionals to New Orleans, creating a positive impact on the quality of life in the region. The oldest, independent YPO (young professionals' organization) in the country, the YLC has raised more than \$25 million to support community projects in and around the New Orleans area since 1986.