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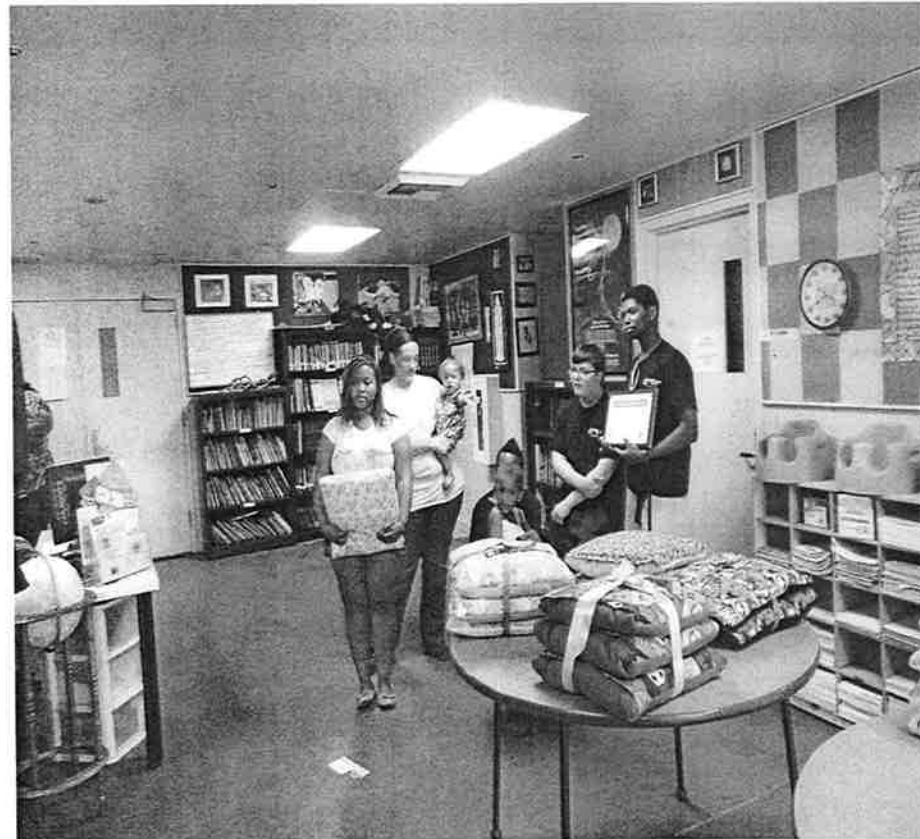
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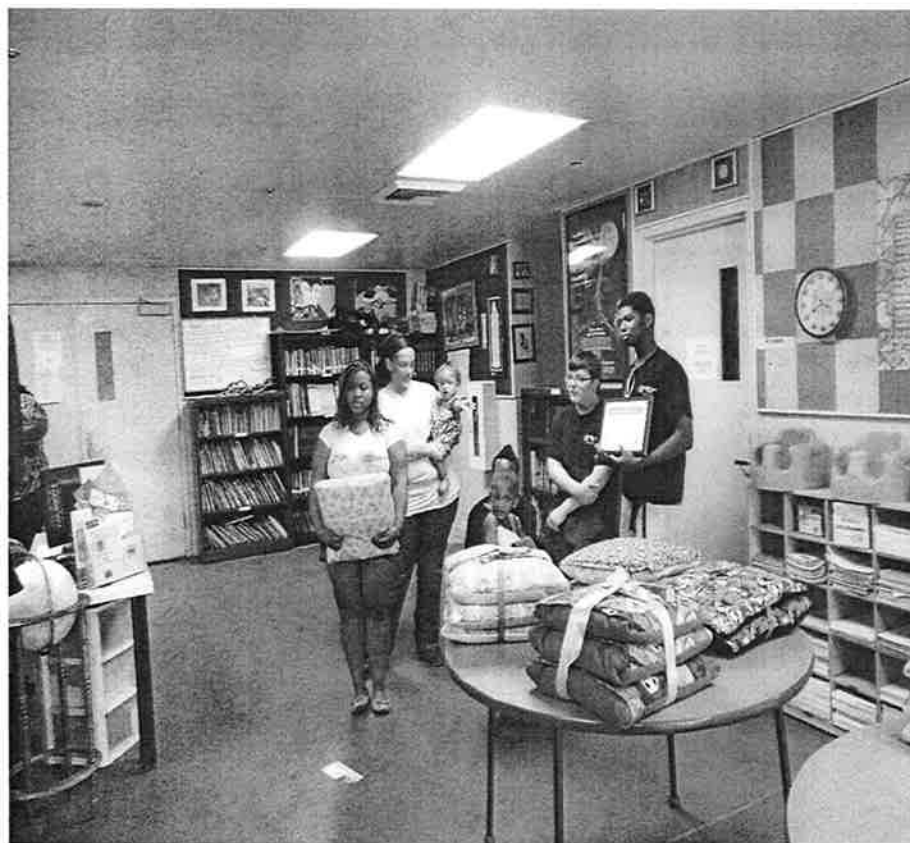
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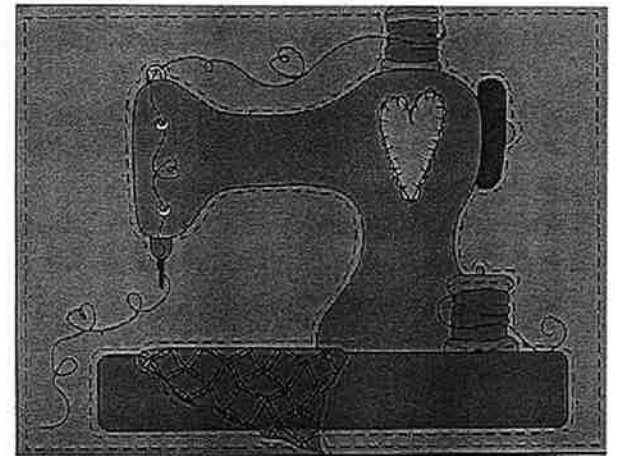
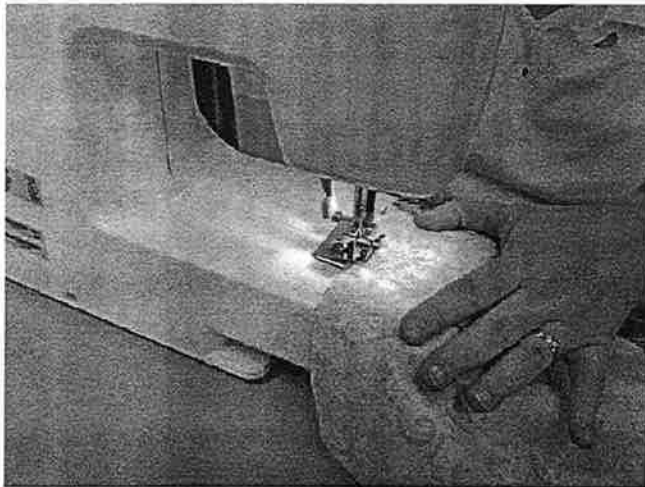


- Our group is called “Sew Happy” and we make adult bibs. The bibs help protect clothes from becoming soiled and keeps clothes dry. Each bib is made with a special waterproof fabric called PUL, to repel spills.



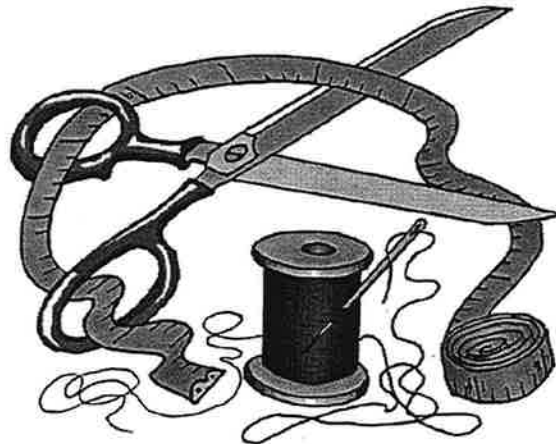
“Sew Happy”

**We applied for the YNAPP Grant
(Youth Neighborhood Association Partnership Program)
to receive the funding needed to create
these multi beneficial bibs.**



We thread our needles for those in need!

- **Materials cost-approximately \$1,001.60**
- **This will make 125 bibs**
- **We will be soliciting donations to cover the extra costs that are not covered by the YNAPP.**

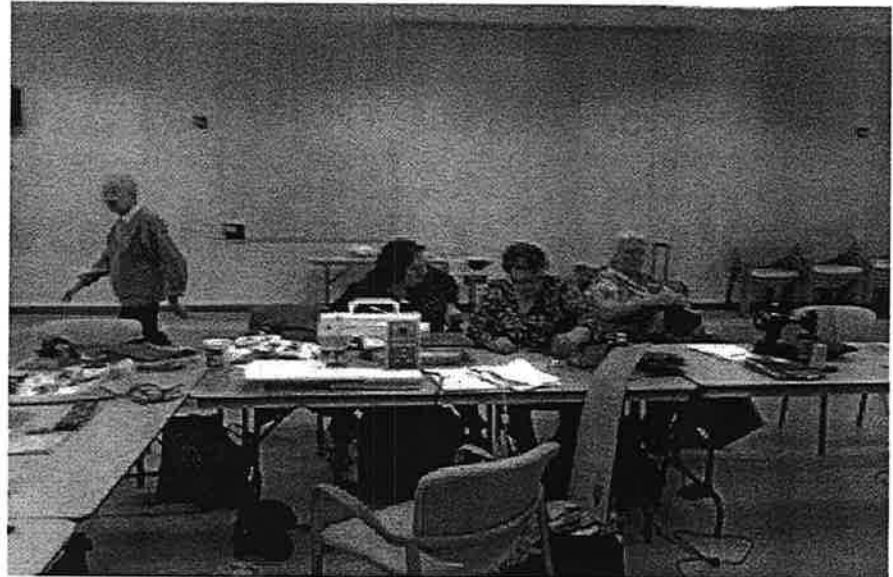
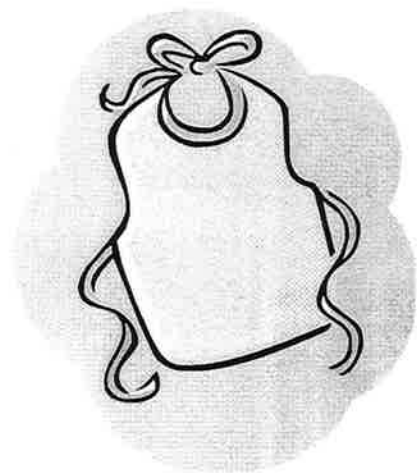


Community Benefits

- **This project will bring together people of all ages and abilities to sew bibs for older adults who need assistance with daily living skills, to help retain their dignity and independence.**

Phase 1

- Design and make prototype bib
- Gather interested volunteers of all ages
- Locate/secure facility to sew bibs

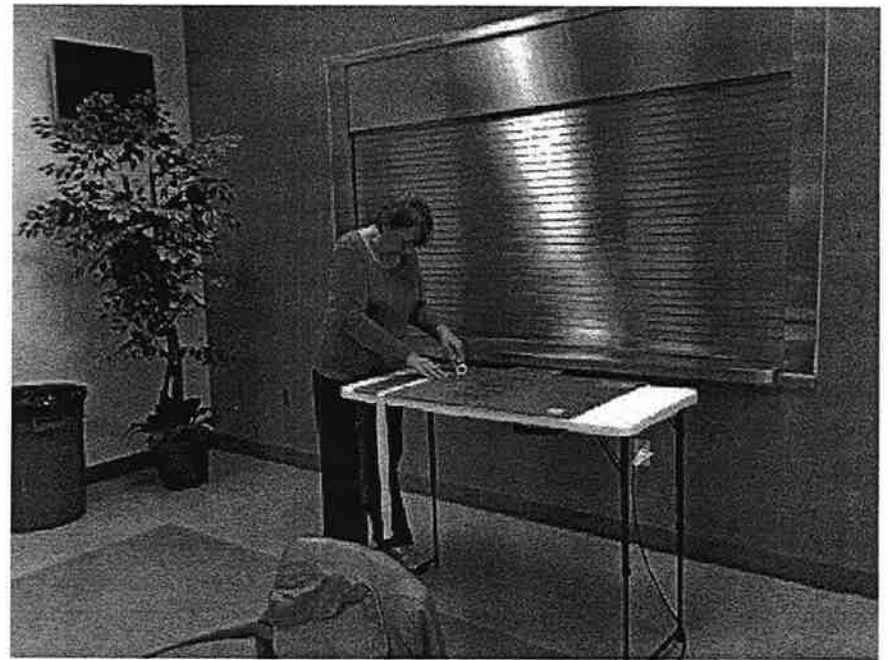


Phase 2

- **Involve all ages in purchasing fabrics, materials, supplies and notions.**
- **Will partner one adult with one youth volunteer**
- **Locate/designate nursing homes and adult day care centers in need of bibs**

Phase 3

- All ages will trace, cut and sew the bibs



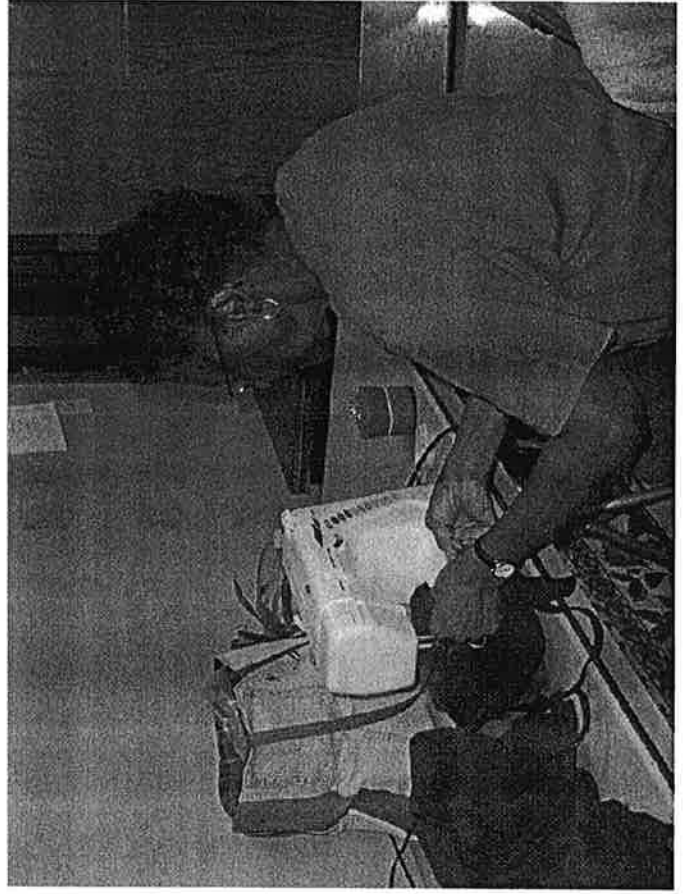
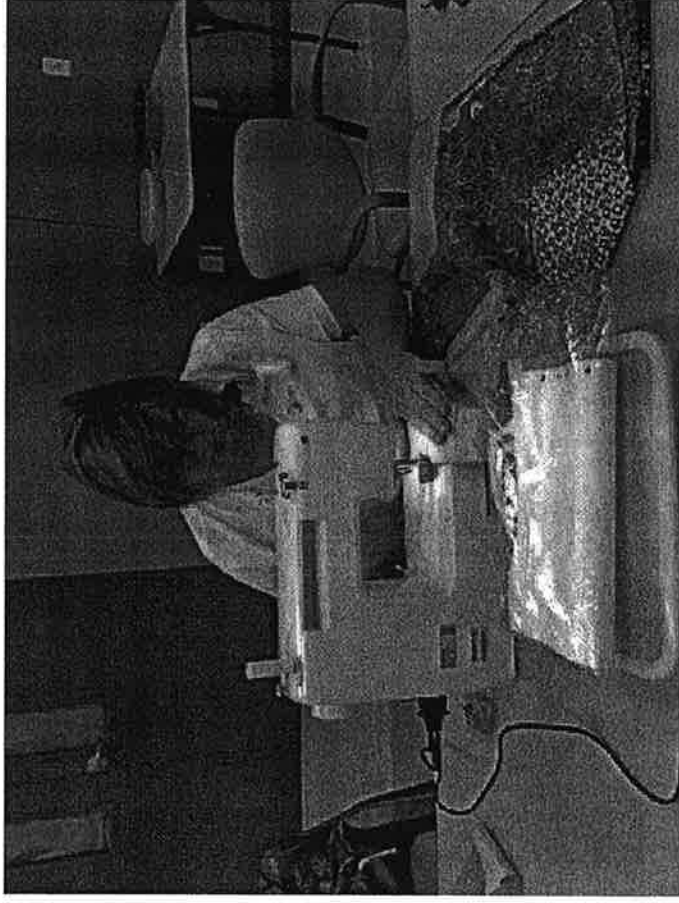
Phase 4

- **Distribute the bibs**
- **The project is planned to be completed by Wednesday, May 1, 2013. Just in time to celebrate Older Americans Month.**

Volunteers

- **Centennial Hills Active Adult Center**
- **Doolittle Senior Center Sewing Club**
- **Las Vegas Quilters Guild**
- **Park Ambassadors**
- **Peccole Ranch Young Women's Group**
- **Mountains Edge Young Women's Group**
- **LVMPD-Downtown Area Command**

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Steps to build a bib

- 1. Design the pattern on tracing paper**
- 2. Pin the pattern on the fabric**
- 3. Cut out the bib and backing fabric**
- 4. Press with iron**
- 5. Sew PUL fabric to backing fabric**
- 6. Sew bias tape around bib**
- 7. Sew Velcro piece to back of bib**
- 8. Sew “Sew Happy” label to inside of bib**

- **The youth are involved in all aspects of the project. They are involved in the planning of the project, the budgeting and purchasing of the fabric and materials. They are involved in the grant application. They will learn how to make a pattern, trace, cut and sew the bibs. They will also assist in the distribution of the bibs when completed.**

Recipients

- **We have provided sample bibs to the following organizations:**
- **Adult Day Care Center of Las Vegas**
 - **901 N. Jones LV, NV 89108**
- **Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada**
 - **Senior Services Division**
 - **531 N. 30th LV, NV 89101**

These are just two of many non-profit organizations that we will be able to serve.

- **This PUL fabric provides protection for clothing from food and liquid spills.**
- **PUL is the most important part of the bib.**
- **PUL is the necessity to retain the dignity and independence of an individual.**



- If we are granted this \$1,000, it will make someone's day "SEW" Happy.





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A CALL to HEALING

THE 4TH ANNUAL YOUTH CONFERENCE

April 28 • 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**FREE AND OPEN
TO THE PUBLIC**

**West Las Vegas Arts Center
947 W. Lake Mead Blvd.**

**Ages 10 to 18 years are invited to the 4th Annual
West Las Vegas Arts Center's Youth Conference. The goal
is to encourage youth to become independent-thinking adults.**

The conference provides the necessary tools to empower and enlighten young men and women during their transition into adulthood. The conference will focus on thought-provoking dialogues to foster clear communication between young men and women and to find clear solutions to youth problems and issues, such as education, choices, self-respect, bullying, gang violence and relationships.



**Lunch provided by
McDonald's**

**Admission is free; advanced registration is required.
Applications are available; please call 229-4800 for more information.**



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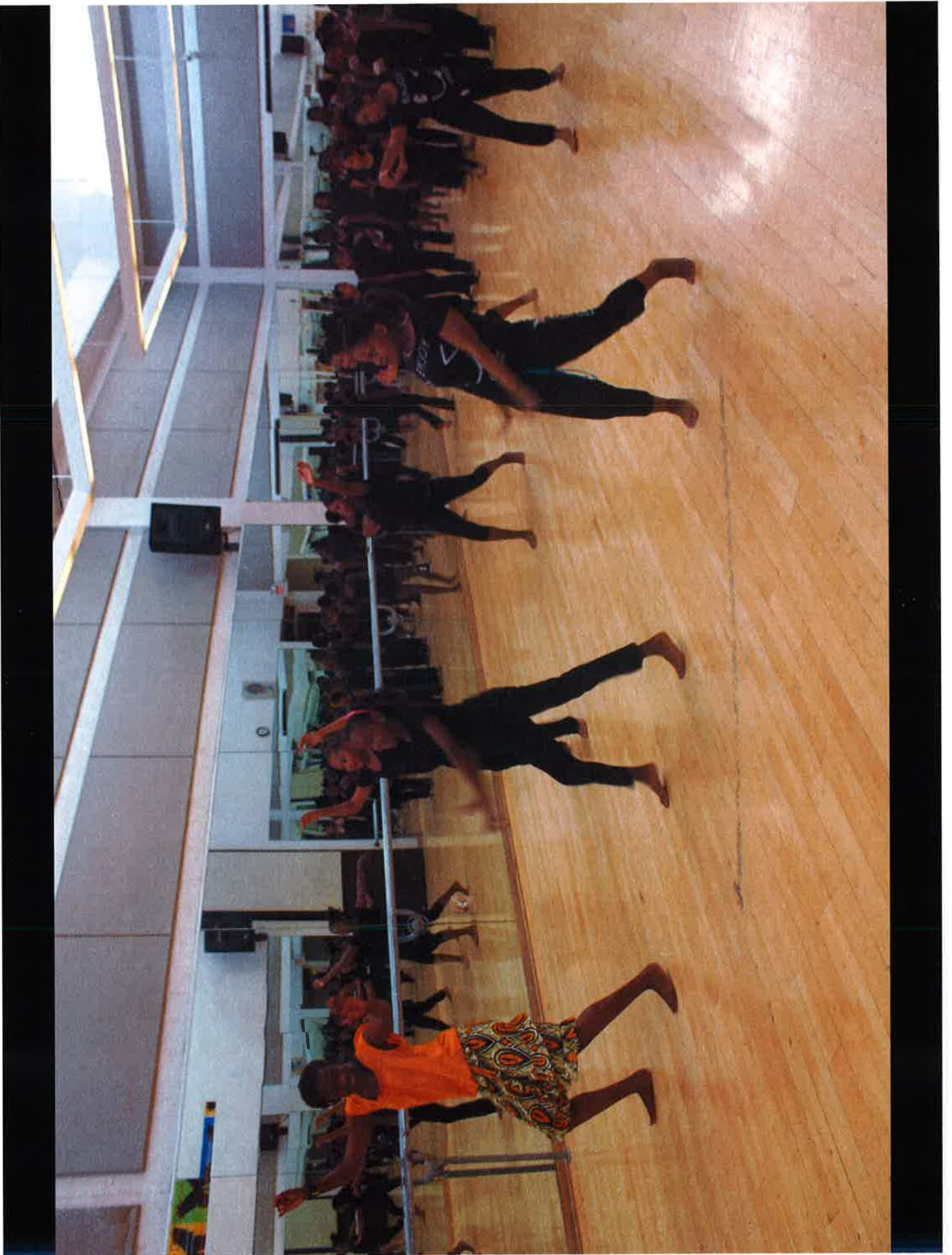














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Thank You!