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**BEST PRACTICES:
TEEN TECH ZONES and How It Works:**

1. Set up a specific area/space to implement a TEEN TECH ZONE. This area will allow Teens to utilize technology (Computers, hand held devices, phones) as part of the Club/ Community Program.
2. Set up specific times during the day that this TEEN TECH ZONE will take place. It may be for specific programs or times of the program day
3. Staff are trained on the expectations and goals of the TEEN TECH ZONE.
 - a. Safe From Harm Policies
 - b. Salvation Army ONLINE SAFETY:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd3f5nYDOt1Xqe - NyhJ0K_ePYI7zjig_qW0cnoK3Q4mU46sA/viewform
4. Specific Signage is posted in the TEEN TECH ZONE:
 - a. Expectations of the TEEN TECH ZONE
 - b. Locations and Times
 - c. Limitations
 - d. Age Restrictions (i.e. 13 to 18) or what every is set as your TEEN TECH ZONE AGE.
5. Teens will go through a set of trainings as part of the TEEN TECH ZONE. These can should be completed in the first month of entering the TEEN TECH ZONE.
 - a. NetSmartz: <http://www.netsmartz.org/TeensTalkBack/SocialNetworking>
 - b. Salvation Army ONLINE SAFETY:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd3f5nYDOt1Xqe - NyhJ0K_ePYI7zjig_qW0cnoK3Q4mU46sA/viewform
6. Members must complete an Acceptable Use of Internet and Other Electronic Resources and return it before entering into the TEEN TECH Zone.
7. Members must sign a TEEN TECH ZONE Code of Conduct before entering.
8. Staff must be far but stern in making this a SAFE zone for our Teens.
9. Start SMALL. This may start off as being offered only on Fridays and then you may add additional days as the program grows.
10. Make sure as you change, adapt and update your rules.
11. Have fun with this, because your Teens sure will!!!