

## ***Session Three***

### ***Make it Mean Something***

#### *Scenario B*

Traffic safety has been identified as a concern in your community. The local police officers have observed that adults and youth frequently fail to buckle their seatbelts. It seems that the prevalent attitude among citizens is, "It can't happen to me." Adults feel that they are safe drivers and are not particularly worried about buckling their seat belts. Youth are very trusting of the drivers in whose cars they ride. Besides, if the adults aren't buckling their seatbelts, why should youth have to? A group of teen leaders at the YMCA have decided that this is an issue they want to address. Help them to design a program that will allow them to address the issue, possibly collaborate with others in the community, and have a meaningful leadership experience for themselves.

Be prepared to address the following questions when you present your program to the group:

- Why was this experience created?
- Does it meet the needs and desires expressed by the youth group? How?
- What are the youth members in the group responsible for?
- What are the adult leaders in the group responsible for?
- Would you consider this a transactional leadership process or a transformational one? Why?
- Is this experience meeting a community need?
- Is this experience being done in partnership with another community organization or entity?