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GENERATION MIX SEEKING PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS TO SUPPORT NATIONAL MIXED RACE AWARENESS TOUR

(Seattle) Generation MIX, the MAVIN Foundation's innovative mixed race national awareness tour, is seeking the support of local and national organizations who wish to partner with the Tour's community outreach and activities.

This spring, five mixed race teens and 20-somethings will travel 8,000 miles across the United States in a 26-foot RV to raise awareness of the nation's multiracial baby boom. Their efforts will jumpstart a national dialogue about how multiracial youth are redefining diversity and changing the face of America.

With pit stops at 16 community centers and college campuses from Seattle to Boston, the Tour will rely on mixed race and multicultural organizations to help organize Tour events, speakers, workshops, and other activities. The Tour will also depend on the support of partner organizations—both large and small—to inform and energize their base to get involved in this national dialogue on mixed race issues. Tour organizers believe that working with partner organizations will build a stronger national network to support the growing number of mixed race children and families.

"Community outreach and involvement is a central component of the Tour," says Marinda Melonson, the 20-year-old project manager of the Generation MIX National Awareness Tour. **"We look forward to building stronger relationships with local communities by collaborating with partner organizations. We're excited to work with a diverse cross section of groups that support the Tour's innovative mission, so please let us know how you want to be involved!"**

The Generation MIX National Awareness Tour is a project of MAVIN Foundation, the nation's leading organization that celebrates and advocates for mixed race people and families. Since 1998, MAVIN's award-winning projects like MAVIN magazine and the MatchMaker Bone Marrow Project have raised awareness of this rapidly growing population. For more information, visit www.mavinfoundation.org or www.generationmix.org.