Student Issues Agenda Developed by Students at University High School, Newark, N.J.

1. Develop programs to increase teen employment.
2. The MOET program should not be strictly based on family income.
3. Lower the dropout rate in the Newark Public Schools.
4. Improve the quality and the environment in Newark Public Schools.
5. Develop low-income housing and quality affordable homes.
7. End racial and gender discrimination in education and employment.
8. Stop police brutality and racial profiling.
9. Increase police services throughout the city.
10. Prevent repeat offenders in the juvenile justice system.
11. Extend the hours and purposes of recreational centers.
12. Promote community festivals as part of recreational activities.

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