Childhood obesity has been increasing at alarming rates in the past years. To address this problem, WellFlorida Council Inc and Alachua County Healthy Communities Initiative created a partnership to tackle the childhood obesity crisis. The Youth subcommittee of the Healthy Communities created a project that was aimed to gain the perspectives of the students in middle school about healthy living, healthy eating and obesity to better engage them in obesity prevention efforts. We conducted six focus groups in Alachua County middle schools. Once completed the focus group data was transcribed and analyzed in MAXQDA software. Also, two key informant interviews were completed to obtain a better understanding of the Physical education program and the school lunch program. Three themes were the focus of my project; knowledge, physical education and school lunches. These areas are where policy could have the most impact. From the results, several recommendations were developed; first to limit education based programs in middle schools. Secondly, there are some recommendations specifically for PE they include: make PE mandatory, make PE a non-elective, and require PE teachers to turn in lesson plans. Finally, pertaining to the school lunches, recommendations include: monitoring of schools to ensure they are meeting school board standards, conduct taste testing and student surveys, and make healthy food variations for current vendors. The results of this project will be used by the Healthy Communities Initiative to determine the next step in obesity prevention efforts in Alachua County.