



Community Services Department

DATE: November 25, 2024

TO: Council Youth Services Committee

FROM: Lauren Eck, Recreation Coordinator

Greg Milano, Recreation Supervisor

SUBJECT: Youth Advisory Committee Work Plan Review, Fiscal Year 2024-25

RECOMMENDATION

Review and approve the Youth Advisory Committee work plan for Fiscal Year 2024-25.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC or Committee) held the first meeting of Fiscal Year 2024-25 on August 19, 2024.

At the meetings on September 3, 2024, and September 16, 2024, Committee members and members-at-large brainstormed ideas to accomplish during the current school year. Staff worked with Chair Chan and Vice Chair Luna to create a draft work plan for YAC to review at the October 14, 2024, meeting. At this meeting, the draft work plan was reviewed and approved by the Committee without modifications (Attachment 1).

The work plan items approved by the YAC are described as follows:

Ongoing Work Items

- A. Advise City staff on youth and teen issues within the City.
- B. Assist, advocate, and volunteer for events that support community-building and teen wellness. Support Citywide and The View Teen Center events by marketing them and volunteering to assist with setup, leading kids' activities, and cleanup.

2024-25 Work Plan Items

1. <u>Host Teen Week</u>. Initiate a Citywide Teen Week, where teens and the community can participate in various activities acknowledging and supporting teen efforts.

- 2. <u>Collaborate with nearby cities' youth advisory groups</u>. Organize programs or initiatives in collaboration with Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, or Palo Alto Youth Advisory groups. Host at least one program or initiative with another city's youth advisory group.
- 3. <u>Support Academic, College, and Career programs for teens</u>. Provide workshops, events, and/or initiatives to teens that support, educate, and celebrate academics, learning, college preparation, and/or career exploration.
- 4. <u>Promote diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) programs for teens</u>. Provide workshops, events, and/or initiatives to teens that support, educate, and celebrate different cultures, pride, and/or inclusion.
- 5. <u>Support health and wellness programs for teens</u>. Provide workshops, events, and/or initiatives to teens that support, educate, and celebrate mental, physical, and emotional health.

After adopting the work plan, Committee members and members-at-large selected their preferred subcommittee assignments. At the October 28, 2024, meeting, members were assigned to one of five subcommittees: DEI, Health and Wellness, College and Career, Outreach, and Collaboration. Over the month of November, the subcommittees have begun brainstorming how to accomplish their associated work plan items.

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Attachment: 1. Youth Advisory Committee Work Plan, Fiscal Year 2024-25



	Title & Description	Key Milestones	Date (per milestone)	Current Status Notes
Oi	n-going Work Items			
A.	Advise City Staff on youth and teen issues within the city.		Ongoing	
В.	Assist, advocate, and volunteer for events that support teens and the community. Support city-wide and The View Teen Center events and programs by marketing and volunteering to assist with set-up, leading kids' activities, and clean-up.	Programs at The View Teen Center Volunteer Opportunities Teen Wellness Retreat Monster Bash Bay Area Youth Advisory Committee Social Holiday Bazaar Cops and Gobblers Breakfast with Santa Tree Lighting Santa's Workshop Multicultural Festival Earth Day Pride Summer Movie Night Series	Ongoing September 2024 October 2024 November 2024 November 2024 November 2024 December 2024 December 2024 December 2024 Darch 2025 April 2025 June 2025 July-August 2025	Completed.



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c. FY 2024-25 Work Items			
1. Host Teen Week	Choose a Teen Week date.	Fall 2024	Completed, March 17-21, 2025
Initiate a city-wide Teen Week, where teens and the community can participate in a variety of activities acknowledging and supporting teen efforts.	Brainstorm workshops or programs to offer during Teen Week. Review community resources to partner with and determine the best location for programs.	Winter 2024-25	
	Implement Teen Week.	March 2025	
	Implement the Teen Friendly Business Award Nominations and Voting Surveys.	Winter 2024-25	
	Present the Teen Friendly Business Awards.	March 2025	
Collaborate with nearby cities' Youth Advisory Groups and/or with internal City	Meet with a Youth Advisory group(s) from a nearby city.	Fall 2024	
Boards, Commissions, and Committees. Collaborate with the Los Altos, Los Altos Hills,	Host one workshop, event, and/or initiative in collaboration with at least one other city's Youth Advisory Group.	Winter 2024-25 or Spring 2025	
or Palo Alto Youth Advisory Groups. Provide input to internal City Boards, Commissions, and Committees on various topics.	Attend the California Parks and Recreation Association District 4 Youth and Teen Recreation Services-sponsored YAC Social.	November 2024	



	Title & Description	Key Milestones	Date (per milestone)	Current Status Notes
3.	Support Academic, College, Career, and Volunteer programs for teens.	Host Study Hall and/or De-Stress Days at The View Teen Center.	December 2024 and May 2025	
	Provide workshops, events, and/or initiatives to teens that support, educate, and celebrate academics, learning, college prep, volunteering, and/or career exploration.	Host a Day of Service at The View Teen Center on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.	January 2025	
		Provide support to city staff in the planning, marketing, and execution of the Find Your Fit: Teen Career Day event.	March 2025	
		Provide support to city staff in the planning, marketing, and execution of the Adulting 101: Level Up Your Life workshop series and monthly College Tours.	Ongoing	
4.	Promote diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) programs for teens.	Provide support to city staff in the planning, marketing, and execution of the city's inaugural Pride event.	June 2025	
	Provide workshops, events, and/or initiatives to teens that support, educate, and celebrate different cultures, pride, and/or inclusion.	Lead a social media initiative or campaign to highlight teens in the community.	Spring 2024-25	
		Host a teen-led Cultural Diversity Fair as part of Teen Week.	March 2025	



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5. Support Health and Wellness programs for teens.	Provide support to city staff in the planning, marketing, and execution of the city's Teen Wellness Retreat Event.	September 2024	Completed.
Provide workshops, events, and/or initiatives to teens that support, educate, and celebrate mental, physical, and/or emotional health.	Choose a topic for a YAC-sponsored workshop, event, and/or initiative for teens and begin planning the event.	Winter 2024-25	
	Host the YAC-sponsored workshop, event, and/or initiative for teens.	Spring 2025	