

# **SACRAMENTO YOUTH COMMISSION ADVISORY GROUP 2009/2010**

STAFF REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

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# **The Sacramento Youth Commission 2009/2010**



**The Sacramento Youth Commission was first established in 1993 and continues to serve as a youth led advisory board.**

# Our Mission

**The mission of the Sacramento Youth Commission is to protect, preserve and enhance the quality of life for Sacramento Youth by advising the City Council, City staff and the public on issues relating to youth policies, programs and opportunities.**



# 2009/2010 Strategic Planning Initiatives (Our work through ad-hoc committees)

## Youth Action Team Project

- Providing youth with tools to build leadership skills and an opportunities to address youth violence in their communities

## Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights

- Created to encourage children to participate in outdoor activities and discover California's heritage

## Social Host Ordinance

- An ordinance addressing youth alcohol consumption through monetary penalties for the adults hosting the party

# The Youth Action Team Project



## SYC 's role

- Helped to develop the program model
- Conducted interviews for youth team agencies
- Participated in monthly trainings and skill building activities
- Served as liaisons to the youth teams
- Organized the end of the year Youth Action Team celebration event

# The Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights



In collaboration with the Parks and Recreation Department, the SYC:

- Reviewed and researched the documents
- Provided youth voice on the importance of maintaining opportunities for each Sacramento youth to play outdoors and learn about California
- Presented supportive data before City Council

★ Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights was adopted by City Council on March 9, 2010

# The Social Host Ordinance



## The SYC's role:

- Studied the ordinance-in other California cities & other states
  - Interviewed community organizations/coalitions involved
  - Created and distributed surveys to youth throughout Sacramento
  - Compiled research findings into a cohesive report
  - Presented info and made recommendations to Sacramento Police Department
- ★ Commissioners remain involved as steps are taken for further discussion of the ordinance at the Law & Legislative Committee

## **Additional involvement :**

- Monthly panelists & award presenters for the Youth of the Month Program
- Supported the development of the Youth@ City Council Program
- Assisted the United Way with research efforts on recidivism rates
- Surveyed over 400 Sacramento youth on issues related to strategic planning items





Collaborated with Parks and Recreation on planning, recruitment and execution of **Global Youth Service Day 2010**



## **Additional involvement**

- Volunteer service for the “Girl Inspired” Summit
- Provided Youth Commission updates at Neighborhood Services’ Community Partnership Meetings
- Developed leadership and communication skills through participation in Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program



**AND MUCH MORE!!!**

Thank you for providing this opportunity to  
serve our City!

