

Yolo Youth Commission Overview of 2023





Scope of Work for the Yolo Youth Commission

- A local government initiative lead by the Youth Commissioners of Yolo County
- We devote our time on seeking out various opinions from local youth regarding their current surroundings and different organizations that look towards helping the development and leadership of youth in Yolo County.
- Responsible for evaluating youth-led organizations and services in Yolo County for potential funding to support youth leadership and community connections
- Develop a grant funding plan to present to the Board of Supervisors for acceptance

What we have done so far

- So far, we have had 5 official business meetings
- Created bylaws
- Undergone various trainings
- Determined areas of priorities
- Voted for officers :
 - Chair- Commissioner Vij
 - Co-Chair- Commissioner Garcia
 - Secretary- Commissioner Waqar
 - Reporter- Commissioner Muheim
 - Treasurer- Commissioner Mariani



Timeline for 2023



July-August

Commissioners will review applications and conduct site visits with chosen organizations to invite them to Tier 2 applications.

November-December

Lastly, if the budget plan is approved, we will finalize contract to disperse funds to the grantees. We will also work on our annual report and begin planning for next year.

May-June

Engage community and peers - held two youth engagement sessions on May 6th.

September-October

Commissioners will review Tier 2 applications and finalize grantee choices. Then present budget plan to the Board of Supervisors.



Youth Engagement Sessions

- We had two youth engagement sessions on May 6th that were held in Davis and Woodland.
- Youth from the cities came to the engagement sessions and talked about their struggle for change and how powerless they felt.
- We saw major differences between the resources that Davis has compared to the other cities in our county.



Areas of Priorities

- Recreational activities
 - Free recreational activities to build a sense of community across the various school districts
- Life and Job Skills
 - After school programs to learn life skills
- Civic Engagement
 - Early exposure and civic engagement for younger children





Ad Hoc

- RAVE (Review app, visits, and engagement)
 - Create rubric for applications to be reviewed with a consistent foundation
- RFP (request for proposal)
 - Language for areas of priority to guide request for proposals
- Outreach
 - Get the word out about the funding opportunity in the region and that applications are open
 - Host two information sessions for potential applicants and those interested



Application Process

- The application process consists of 2 Tiers.
- Tier 1 includes a project summary of their goals and their current status.
- After review of Tier 1 applications, selected organizations will undergo visitations by the Youth Commission and collect of information regarding their current status on their resources and services and be invited to complete the Tier 2 application.
- Tier 2 will include a more hands on approach from the commission and require further in-depth answers about their Request for Proposal.
- 2 grants will be awarded to a smaller nonprofits and 2 grants to a larger nonprofits to provide an equitable approach.



Next Steps

SOAR - Support, Overview, Advisory, Reporting

- Successful awardees will engage with YCOE staff and Commissioners to develop two plans:
 - SOAR
 - Metrics and Accountability
- Implementation of the new programs should commence by Fall, 2023