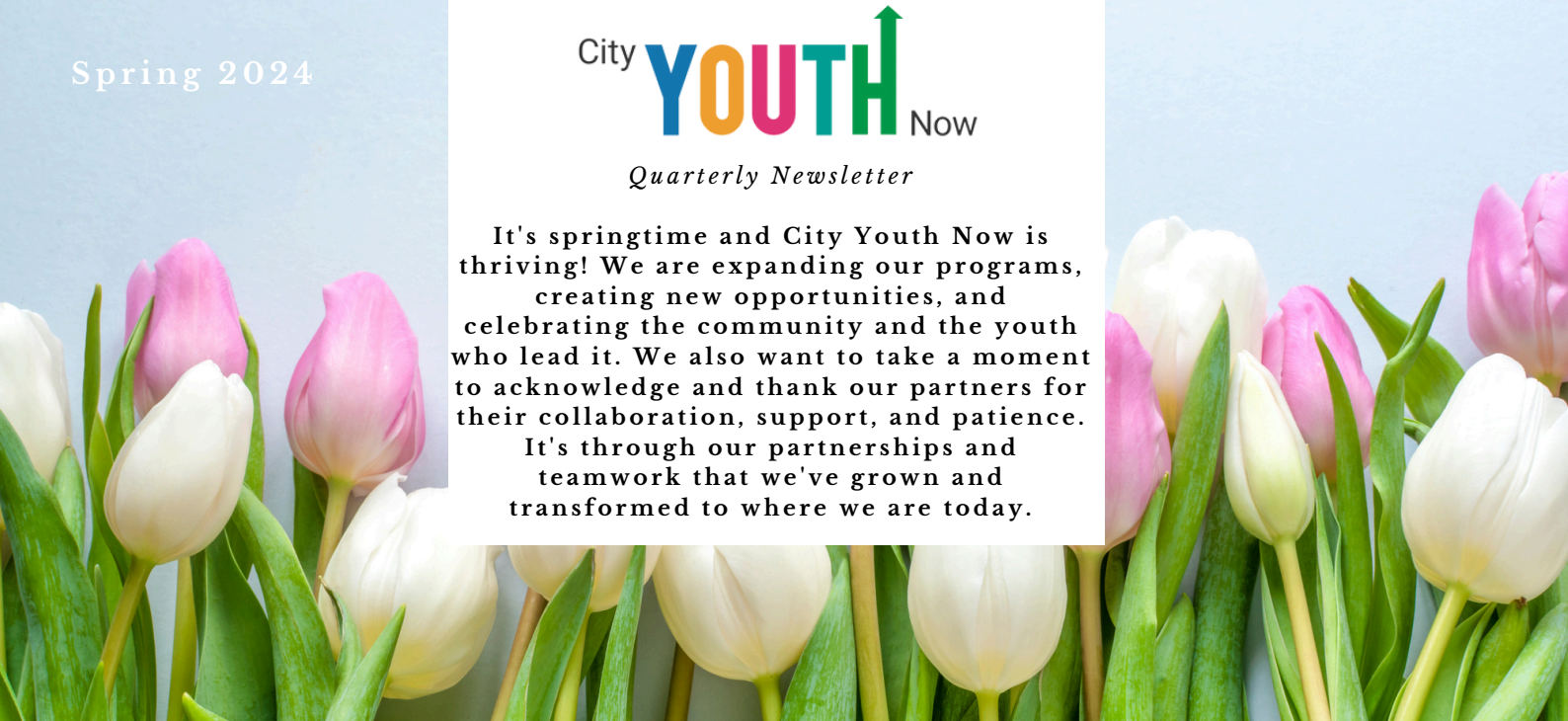


Spring 2024



Quarterly Newsletter

It's springtime and City Youth Now is thriving! We are expanding our programs, creating new opportunities, and celebrating the community and the youth who lead it. We also want to take a moment to acknowledge and thank our partners for their collaboration, support, and patience. It's through our partnerships and teamwork that we've grown and transformed to where we are today.



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# Rise Awards

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## 2024 RISE AWARDS

We are less than a month away from our 74th Annual Rise Awards! Please join us in celebration as we honor our youth scholarship recipients, uplift our community, and raise critical funds for our programs. The Rise Awards is on May 23, 2024 at 6pm and will be held at The Hibernia. Purchase your tickets at our Classy page located below. If you are unable to attend, you can also donate at the same link. Hope to see you there!

<https://www.classy.org/event/2024-annual-rise-awards/e559537>

## YOUNG PROFESSIONALS BOARD

Are you interested in supporting marginalized youth in the SF community? Would you like to help shape the future of youth and young adults? Do you have 3-5 hours per month to volunteer? Consider joining out Young Professionals Board! The YP Board works to connect young professionals in support of CYN's mission and help plan upcoming programs that support the SF community youth. If this is something you are interested in, please reach out to [info@cityyouthnow.org](mailto:info@cityyouthnow.org)

## JASMINE ITLIONG

We are pleased to announce that Jasmine has been promoted to CYN's new executive director. She joined the team in 2023 as a Program and Admin manager. During that time she has participated in executive coaching and mentoring to prepare her to take on this new role! Jasmine is excited to get connected with the CYN community and is inviting you to meet her for virtual coffee to learn more about the work that is being done at CYN. You can reach [jasmine@cityyouthnow.org](mailto:jasmine@cityyouthnow.org)



## COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT

Annually, CYN presents a community service award to an individual within the community that has consistently demonstrated compassion, commitment and service to youth with experience in the foster and/or juvenile justice system. It brings us great pleasure to share that this year's award will be presented to San Francisco Human Services Social Worker, Monica Ternullo.

Monica has been a partner to CYN for many years, working collaboratively with us to ensure that the needs of youth experiencing the foster care system are met. Monica's dedication and determination shine through her genuine care and interactions. It is an honor to be able to celebrate her and all of the ways she helps young people reach stability, personal growth and long-term success.

## INSECT DISCOVERY LAB

We had another wonderful time with the Insect Discovery Lab this year! In April, we were delighted to host two exceptional presenters as part of our Inside-Out Program, where they taught the youth about the diverse range of insects in the world. Some of the youth even gained the courage to hold a few of the little critters themselves! We are extremely grateful for their visit and for our partnership with them.



## College Tours Recap

We had another successful event this year for our 2024 Hybrid College Tours! Our youth were able to tour different colleges, both in-person and virtually, and speak to various guests from each respective school. This year, we were able to host USF and CCSF in-person, and have UC Davis, UC San Diego, San Jose State, and Cal Poly Humboldt join virtually with a representative from each school. During this event, we held a raffle for the youth who participated in all 3 days to win an iPad! Congratulations to Kevin for winning!

“ I learned that CCSF is mainly used for students to get [college] credit for them to transfer to their dream college. -Kevin ”



## YPEE: Intern Spotlight

Celebrate our YPEE internship graduates with us! We are so proud of their commitment, growth and accomplishment. They completed 220 hours with us, working at their sites and investing in professional development. Here's what they have to share about their goals and what they achieved during their programs:

“ My goal when I started was really to learn new experiences and get some money and stuff. I learned if I apply myself, I can do it. -L, YPEE Graduate ”

“ When I started, I really wanted to save money. I didn't want to have no money in my pocket. I made a personal budget, and tried not to overspend. I went over a couple times, but I'm still high, I'm still saving a lot. -T, YPEE Graduate ”