

Summer 2024

City YOUTH Now

Quarterly Newsletter

Summer is finally here and we are really feeling the heat! As we dive into this season with fresh minds and exciting energy, City Youth Now is working hard to plan new and upcoming programs for the fall. We're so grateful to everyone who continues to support us, and we can't wait to see what this summer has in store!

SUMMER



BACK TO SCHOOL

GET INVOLVED

FOOD PROGRAM

It's almost that time again! We are fully preparing for our upcoming Back to School Market, which will provide backpacks and essential school supplies for this coming year at no cost to youth and young adults currently experiencing the juvenile court system. Stay tuned for more information on dates and times for youth or case workers to stop by and pick up their backpacks and school necessities. Special thanks to the Ticket to Dream Foundation for their continued support of this program!

Are you passionate about making a meaningful impact in your community? City Youth Now is seeking individuals to join our Board of Directors. Our Board is a welcoming and inclusive space that cherishes diverse perspectives and focuses on high-level strategy, oversight, and accountability of the organization. No prior board leadership experience is necessary. We are searching for individuals who are eager to contribute and those who bring their lived experiences to the table. If you are interested, please reach out to toni@cityyouthnow.org to learn more.

City Youth Now is dedicated to assisting youth and families who are facing food instability, especially during school breaks and holidays. We understand the challenges that food insecurity can present, and we are proud to provide the opportunity to sign up and receive bi-monthly food vouchers between the months of July and August. These vouchers can help alleviate some of the financial burden and ensure that youth and their families have access to necessary nutrition during critical times. For more details, please reach out at info@cityyouthnow.org.

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT RECAP

31st Annual Mae Louise Mays Softball Charity Event

On June 22nd, the SF Human Services Agency (HSA) hosted the 31st Annual Mae Louise Mays Citywide Softball Charity Event for government agencies and local businesses to come together, play ball, and raise money. City Youth Now had the privilege of being this year's leading fiscal agency, and the funds raised went towards critical funding for youth and Rec & Park's academic scholarships.

We want to express our gratitude to the HSA members who collaborated and planned the event, Rec and Park for providing the facilities, park, and equipment, and to our staff and board members for volunteering their time to lend a helping hand. We are so grateful for this support and excited to see you all at next year's game!





Rise Awards Recap

We are incredibly thankful for everyone who joined us at the 74th Rise Awards Event! Over 130 guests came together to support the youth and young adults who benefit from our programs and services. Together, we raised over \$68,000! Thank you to all who donated, participated, and supported our event, and to everyone who continues to support the work we do.

2024 Scholarship Awardees

- \$1,500 DPO Yalon Scholarship- Joshua
 - \$1,500 Betty L. Jackson Memorial Scholarship-Adriana
 - \$2,000 Sari Wade Memorial Scholarship-Aimee
 - \$2,500 Joan Coyne Memorial Scholarship-Ella
 - \$1,500 JTF Scholarship-Egypt
 - \$1,000 Toboni Group LLC Scholarship-Sandra
- Congratulations Scholars!*

WHOLE FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM



Over the past two years, City Youth Now received funding from the San Francisco Department of Children, Youth, and their Families (DCYF) and collaborated with the Juvenile Probation Department to provide our Whole Family Support Program. This program was dedicated to providing direct and flexible funding to juvenile justice-involved young people and their families. In the past fiscal year alone, we approved **over 250 requests** for temporary and emergency assistance and addressed various unmet areas of need!

Thank you to all who have made this program a success. We still remain committed to providing funding to youth and young adults through our Personal Empowerment Program, with funding approval depending solely on the specific needs and our monthly budget. We look forward to continuing to impact the lives of youth and families through our program.