



VISIONARY YOUTH CENTER

Visionary Youth Center (VYC) offers a safe haven where youth can feel free from harm while simultaneously being provided with the tools needed for healthy development. **The center is specifically designed to service youth between the ages of 10 to 19.** VYC youth will have their cognitive, social and emotional needs met by participating in arts, recreational activities (dance, music, and sports), counseling, skill development, psycho-educational groups, field trips, access to tutors, mentors, as well as academic, and career counselors.

The Visionary Youth Center (VYC) offers the following programs:

- **Homework assistance** through tutoring, mentoring, and use of computer labs
- **College Preparation workshops** through field trips and one-on-one counseling
- **Life Skills** which are integrated throughout all phases of VYC programming

VYC Service Description:

Tutoring: Offered to youth ages 10-19 two times per week. The tutoring program is intended to provide homework assistance and tutoring for any youth whom is facing challenges in a particular subject. The VYC tutoring program provides weekly academic support to each student seeking services. Youth are encouraged to bring their homework and questions regarding college preparation. Tutoring is provided by actual college students, who also serve as mentors.

College Workshops : “The College Vision” topics ranging from financial aid, AB540, A-G, University of California road map, private vs. public universities and career paths. This workshop is designed for both adult and youth whom are interested in learning how to navigate the higher education system, be college ready and start an educational plan.

Field Trips and Camps: All day youth College conferences and tours at USC and UCLA. Throughout the year youth receive a campus tour, which includes, but not limited to several workshops on College readiness, college life, and financial aid. Workshops are facilitated by administrators, students, and athletes.

Youth Advocacy & Leadership Program: This program is designed to strengthen youth leadership knowledge, skills, and abilities by providing community organizing teachings and principles. Youth will conduct community assessments which consist of asset mapping, and needs assessments of their community. Participating youth will Co-lead discussions and collectively design strategies and ways to improve the area of East Hollywood from a youth perspective.

Youth Social Events: VYC holds youth led social events. The events are to promote healthy peer socialization between youth residents of East Hollywood. It also serves as forum to assess the needs of East Hollywood Residents and introduce new VYC & HCHC programming efforts which may be occurring for that specific season. These events consist of music, pizza, board games, and ice breakers.

Services are administered by VYC and HCHC volunteers. HCHC has developed a volunteer program in which all VYC tutors and facilitators are screened and appropriately placed once



approved by the HCHC Volunteer Coordinator. Several of the VYC volunteers are university students. Robert Hernandez is the Executive Director of VYC and oversees the direction and vision of the Visionary Youth Center, Faye Altobar is the Director of Operations and manages the entire program.

Visionary Youth Center believes that all youth have strengths and that all youth have an inherent right to maximize their full potential!

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As a matter of fundamental principle, the Visionary Youth Center will adhere to a respectful atmosphere because it is the right thing to do to ensure that a safe environment is established for all who participate at the Visionary Youth Center and all its activities. All who participate in VYC activities are to be good stewards of the Visionary Youth Center and uphold the standard of respect and all encompassed by this value and demonstrate their ongoing commitment to the core values of integrity, honesty, fairness, openness, trustworthiness, citizenship, and responsibility.

Adherence to the value of respect is the minimum standard which is expected at the Visionary Youth Center and within all its activities. As members we must do more than just follow the value of respect, but embrace the spirit of RESPECT going beyond the definition of respect, but it must be integral to our behavior at the center. Being disrespectful will not be acceptable behavior as Visionary Youth Center Members, while at the Visionary Youth Center and/or participating in Visionary Youth Center activities.

As Visionary Youth Center Members we will hold everyone accountable for our actions to ensure that we all enjoy are time with Visionary Youth Center and its activities.

I _____, fully support my child's participation with the Visionary Youth
(PRINT NAME OF PARENT/ or GUARDIAN)

Center and as a VYC member and accept all rules and regulations adopted by the center. Date: _____

I _____, agree to becoming a Visionary Youth Center member and
(Enrolling Youth)
agree to uphold all guidelines set forth by the center as described by this enrollment form. Date: _____

Waiver of Liability

I hereby agree and promise that I will not hold the Visionary Youth Center (VYC), its staff, or volunteers responsible for any loss, damages, or personal injuries as a result of participation with the Visionary Youth Center.

Waiver of Liability Signature

____ I accept the terms of this agreement parent and youth



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Visionary Youth Center Enrollment Form

Youth Name _____ Date of Birth _____

School _____ Grade Level _____

Favorite school subject _____ Why? _____

School subject needing the most help with _____ What kind of grades do you get? _____

What is your experience at school like? _____

Home Address _____

Home phone number _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Name of Emergency Contact _____

Emergency Contact Phone number: _____

Who do you live with? _____

Please describe your home life? _____

Identify three strengths about yourself:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Identify any areas you would like to improve about yourself: _____

What is your favorite thing to do? _____

What activities would you like to see at the center? _____

What college(s) would you like to attend? _____

What's your favorite movie? _____

What type of music do you listen to? _____

If you could change one thing about your community what would it be? and Why?
