

CALIFORNIA YOUTH COUNCIL

**A STATE-WIDE COUNCIL
OF YOUNG PEOPLE
COMMITTED TO RAISING
AWARENESS ON YOUTH
ISSUES BY:**

- Providing a link between local youth & community programs with state-wide initiatives around alcohol, tobacco, other drugs & traffic safety issues.
- Training adults on the strength and power in youth-adult partnerships.
- Planning & implementing the Youth Summit, a statewide training institute where young leaders gather to learn, network, make plans for & develop solutions to issues facing California's youth.

WHO WE ARE

High school & college-age youth leaders from all areas of California, with various opinions & experiences, form the California Youth Council (CYC). The common thread that holds this diverse group together: the commitment to making positive change in their community. The CYC reflects diverse backgrounds, perspectives, strengths & passions. They not only welcome the voices of all, they represent the voices that are not always heard but have most important things to say, the voices of California's youth. The California Youth Council is a project of the California Friday Night Live Partnership (CFNLP) & the Tulare County Office of Education (TCOE).

WHAT WE DO

- **Local connections & a statewide reach:**

Every CYC member contributes to & is actively involved in their local community. CYC members have the opportunity to bring their experiences with youth issues in their own communities to the state level where they can make an impact that extends beyond their hometown. In-turn, they get to positively affect their local communities in an even bigger way.

- **Trainers:**

CYC Members are trained to provide youth & adult training throughout California. CYC trainings provide tools to enhance youth & adult partnerships, develop & strengthen youth councils, build the capacity of their peers, reduce the use & abuse of alcohol, tobacco & other drugs, & decrease youth & traffic related issues.

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