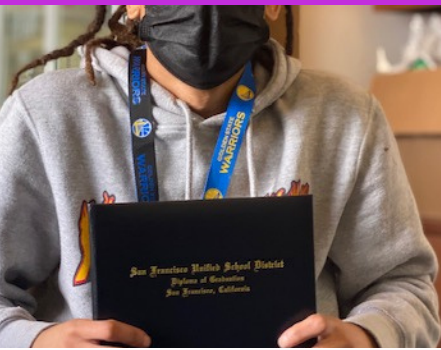


Happy Pride Month! At City Youth Now we address barriers that create inequity. We embrace diversity, equity & inclusion in all areas of our work including; the youth & families we serve, with our staff & leadership & through the work we do. We are committed to inclusion across race, gender, age, religion, identity & experience.

Summer 2021



CONGRATS GRADS!

This graduation season we shared a small token of congratulations to 45 foster and justice involved youth in the Bay Area. Each youth received an inspirational card and a Target gift card. We are so grateful that we could help these youth celebrate this major accomplishment!



COOKING & NUTRITION CLASS

During the month of April, we collaborated with 18 reasons to host a virtual cooking and nutrition class for youth. 15 youth attended three weekly sessions and received a bag of groceries each session so that they could learn and cook along with staff. Participants used ingredients such as egg plant, mango and tofu as they learned new recipes and kitchen skills. Each youth earned a \$100 grocery gift card for perfect attendance.



TREE TOPS AT MCCLAREN PARK

Have you visited the ropes course in McClaren Park yet? We hosted a small group of youth in collaboration with Outward Bound CA on Saturday May 29th, 2021. These young adults spent time team building, enjoying the outdoors and learning a new skill.

TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

Laptop and Internet Support Program

City Youth Now is honored to be able to support foster and justice-involved youth and families with technology support. The goal of this program is to address the technology barriers faced by the youth we serve. We are providing access to laptops and internet connections, as well as providing basic digital literacy training to ensure that youth develop the skills needed to use and maintain the laptops and safely use the internet. This program has provided laptops to 112 youth this fiscal year. We would like to thank the Bothin Foundation for their generous grant which has allowed us to continue this support.





THE PATH FORWARD

From our Executive Director

The theme of our 2021 Rise Awards was "Community is Everything." At City Youth Now community is at the heart of what we do! Each day we have the pleasure of supporting youth in our community as they heal, grow and transform. It is because of the City Youth Now community that we can continue to offer individualized services including paid internships, grocery vouchers, educational support, and short term case management.

As our community begins to re-open and the needs of the youth we serve begin to change, we recommit ourselves to listening closely to our community and working collaboratively to ensure stability, personal growth and long term success for the youth we serve.



*We Rise by
lifting others-
Robert
Ingersoll*

We're collecting school supplies!

Last year we provided 92 youth with backpacks and school supplies to prepare them for the upcoming school year. As many youth plan to return to school in-person and families recover from the effects of COVID-19, we are planning for a higher demand this year. Please consider helping us send our youth back to school prepared by donating items to our school supplies drive. Items can be purchased via our [Amazon Wishlist](#) or dropped off at the City Youth Now office any Monday or Wednesday!

2021 RISE AWARDS

May 13, 2021

Last month, we hosted our second virtual awards ceremony, The 2021 Rise Awards. This annual event is held to celebrate our youth scholarship recipients, inspire and uplift our community, and raise critical funds for our programs and services.

This year, we had the honor of having Myrna Melgar as our keynote speaker. Myrna comes from humble beginnings and continues to work in our community to improve life for all San Franciscans. Did you miss our 2021 Rise Awards Ceremony? You can catch the replay via the City Youth Now [YouTube Channel](#). We are so close to meeting our fundraising goal of \$50,000. Consider helping us move closer by making a donation [here](#).

