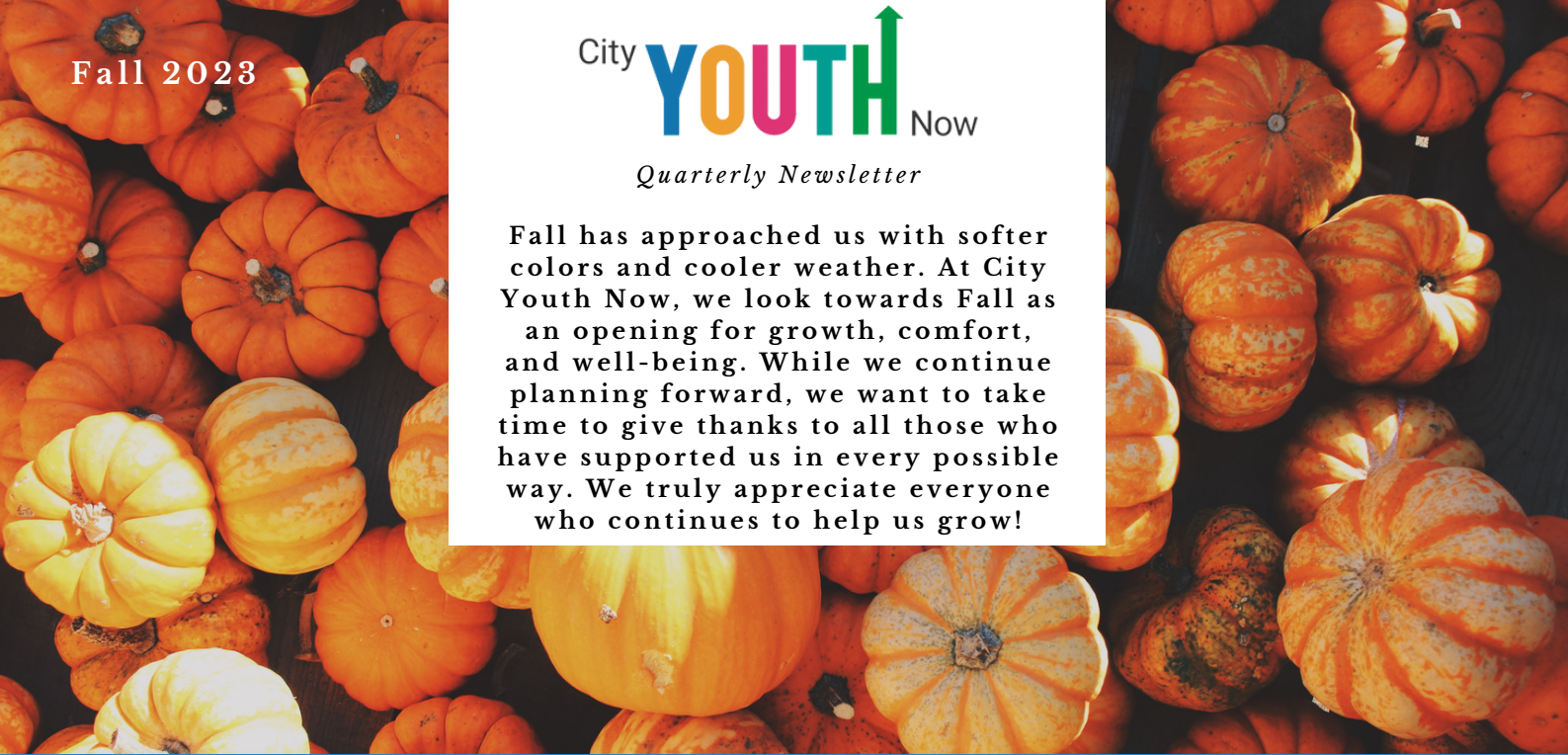


Fall 2023

City YOUTH Now

Quarterly Newsletter

Fall has approached us with softer colors and cooler weather. At City Youth Now, we look towards Fall as an opening for growth, comfort, and well-being. While we continue planning forward, we want to take time to give thanks to all those who have supported us in every possible way. We truly appreciate everyone who continues to help us grow!



GIVING TUESDAY

Giving Tuesday is just around the corner! This holiday, we want to remember that this season is all about being grateful for what we can give & being thankful for what we get. The support of the SF community has been instrumental in the ability of City Youth Now to carry out our mission of providing programs and services that promote stability, personal growth, and academic and career success for all our youth!

HOLIDAY GIFT MARKET

Mark your calendars - We're preparing once more for our Holiday Gift Market! As always, we are putting together gifts and essential items at no cost for the youth who are experiencing the juvenile court system. Keep an eye out for dates and times that the youth can stop by to pick up gifts and trinkets for themselves and their families! We also want to give a shoutout to Kane-Soul for providing \$5,000 to purchase gifts for the youth experiencing the foster care system. These gifts are sponsored by the Kane-Soul endowment annually.

RUN, PATRICK, RUN!

Longtime CYN Volunteer and current board member Patrick Yalon is still running 50 states in support of CYN! Patrick recently finished his 13th state with a run in Bozeman, MT! The above photo is of Patrick running in Olympia, WA where he came in 11th place overall. You can learn more about Patrick's runs or support his goal to raise 20K at this link: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/runni-ng-50-states-for-city-youth-now>

WHOLE FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM

Thanks to the support of the San Francisco Department of Children, Youth and their Families (DCYF) and the San Francisco Juvenile Probation Department we are pleased to share information regarding the Whole Family Support Program. This program is designed to provide flexible and direct funding for juvenile justice-involved young people and their families to ensure participants and their whole families gain or maintain access to basic needs including childcare, food, water, clothing, technology, internet access, transportation, educational vouchers, legal services, and more. Family and youth needs must be addressed for a youth to thrive. This program focuses on individualized resource access and barrier removal support to address unmet areas of need. For more info, email jasmine@cityyouthnow.org.





Welcome, Tyrone!

We are pleased to welcome Tyrone Campbell to our board of directors. Tyrone is a business owner, real estate agent, mentor and coach. He began his relationship with City Youth Now as a volunteer providing education to youth and young adults on finance, home ownership and life skills. We are so happy to have you on board!

Interview with a YPEE Youth



What were your goals when you started the internship?

S: I came in with an open mind I just knew that whatever I was gonna do, I had to do it to the best of my ability. (...) I really enjoyed my time here [at my site]. I built a couple bonds here with the staff and kids.



Has the internship given you any ideas on the kind of work you'd like to do after the program or in the future?

S: I've enjoyed working here. I wouldn't be mad to continue working here. I don't see it as a job, it's more like hanging out with my little siblings or little cousins. It's really perfect for me. I am really energetic, a ball of energy, and so are the kids. I feel like I am a big brother.



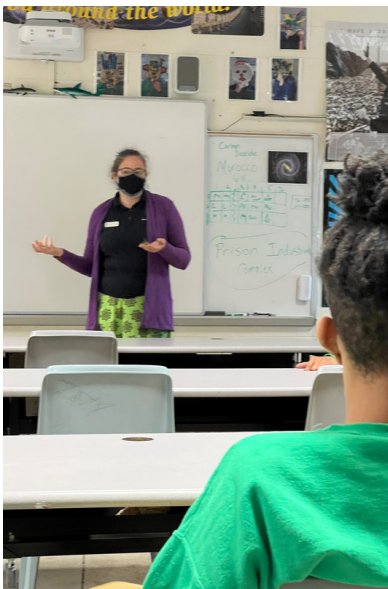
Is there anything you would like to share with anyone considering the program?

S: I would say go in with an open mind. There are plenty of options (...) all of them are very beneficial because you are going to learn a lot of useful information, not only for the workplace, but for your life. You learn a lot of useful tools and meet a lot of good people, cool people, and build connections that help you in your current state and future.



Previous Youth Intern, Sebastian

Sebastian was interning at one of our partner sites: SF Recreation and Parks, and supported the afterschool program at Garfield Playground. He graduated from High School last spring and now that he has graduated from the internship program, he is continuing to work at Garfield Playground as a flag football coach! Yay, Sebastian!



Insect Discovery Lab

We are crawling our way back to in-person programs once more! This school year, we were able to invite back the Insect Discovery Lab for the youth in the Juvenile Justice Center! The youth were able to learn about all the different bugs and insects around the world, why they are important to our ecosystem, and even got to hold some as they crawled all over their arms! Thank you, Insect Discovery Lab, for making time to teach and explore all the different species in the insect world!