



Request For Proposals

Due April 17, 2023 by 5:00 pm MST

Youth Leadership Council is a program of School Community Youth Collaborative (SCYC) which promotes community engagement and leadership among Montezuma County youth. SCYC has partnered with YouthRoots, a national youth philanthropy organization, to incorporate the YouthRoots YouthBoard program into the Youth Leadership Council. As part of the Youth Leadership Council YouthBoard program, students use the experiential classroom of philanthropy to learn leadership and change-making skills. Students identify the biggest issues facing youth in Montezuma County, learn to raise funds and awareness around those issues, and grant 100% of their raised funds to organizations working to address those issues. This year's Youth Leadership Council Youth Board is now accepting grant proposals for youth services in the following funding areas:

VIOLENCE/ABUSE

The YLC YouthBoard sees violence and abuse as a big problem in our community, specifically as an issue that our youth face. We understand that suicide, domestic violence, and child maltreatment rates are on the rise in Montezuma County. The YLC Youth Board also particularly cares about the lack of education surrounding gun and weapon safety. We encourage organizations/groups serving Montezuma County youth who work in the areas of violence/abuse prevention and education to apply. We are particularly interested in organizations/groups that provide safe spaces for youth.

EDUCATION CONCERNS

The YLC Youth Board recognizes that the following education concerns have become more prominent in recent years: school safety, discrimination, bullying, online school with less connection to teachers, low teacher pay, and students not being aware of the

resources available to them. We also want to be taught about the real stuff in school such as the facts about drugs and sex, gun safety, financial literacy, and life skills. We as a board believe that by teaching these things in school and inspiring young people to take their education seriously, some of the above concerns can improve. We encourage organizations/groups addressing any of these education concerns in Montezuma County to apply.

Thank you in advance for applying.

Link to Application: <https://forms.gle/3eCinn9DDLhBqWA98>

Please reach out to Christine Brice-Nelson with any questions

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-The Youth Leadership Council Youth Board