CHICAGO YOUTH PROGRAMS

SUMMER 2023 - GET INVOLVED - DONATE



Join us for the ultimate Back 2 School Block Party hosted by CYP!

Mark your calendars for a fun-filled day of Games, Giveaways, Activities, Health and Wellness, and Educational resources. We've got everything you need to kick-start the new school year with a bang!

Healthcare professionals will be onsite by appointment to provide school and sports physicals as well as vaccinations.

We will also begin registration for CYP Fall Programs at the event.

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to prepare your child for a successful school year while having a blast! Save the date and spread the word. We can't wait to see you!



EMPOWERING HIM RECAP

In late May, CYP hosted an event called "Empowering Him" dedicated to inspiring and uplifting young men. In the midst of the challenges posed by inner-city violence and poverty, this event aimed to ignite a spark of hope and showcase the boundless possibilities that lie beyond these circumstances. Below are some highlights!

- 15 of CYP's young men received haircuts and/or styling.
- Catered Breakfast and Lunch.
- Hosted a panel discussion focused on real estate and wealth management. Conversation also included topics such as empowerment, mentorship, and personal growth.

Thank you to our Partners at Sweeney Taud, 840 Impact and Hamilton Thompson Wealth Management of Raymond James who helped make this event happen. And, thanks to everyone who participated!

Check out our video recap here!



HOPE GALA 2023 RECAP

Another highly anticipated Hope Gala is now in the books, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended. This remarkable event was a celebration of the generous contributors who played a pivotal role in the groundbreaking and construction of headquarters for Chicago Youth Programs.

Guests were treated to captivating live entertainment that dazzled and inspired, adding an extra layer of magic to the evening. The true stars of the night, however, were the dedicated staff and Board of Directors of CYP. Their unwavering commitment and tireless efforts to transform the lives of the city's youth were recognized through well-deserved awards and heartfelt appreciation.

The Hope Gala brought together a community united in their support and philanthropy, leaving a lasting impact on the future of Chicago's youth. Through the collective generosity of attendees, vital resources and opportunities were provided to empower young individuals to reach their full potential.

Check out our video recap here!



UPCOMING EVENTS

August 1st - Back to School
Drive

August 1st - Summer
Innovation Camp Inventors
Showcase

August 3rd - Summer Camp Ends

August 12th - Back 2 School Block Party



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

PEOPLES GAS

Peoples Gas has a remarkable partnership with Chicago Youth Programs to empower and uplift the city's young minds. Through this innovative collaboration, Peoples Gas is actively supporting tutoring initiatives that aim to guide and nurture the academic and personal growth within youth. By investing in education and providing vital resources, Peoples Gas is enabling students to overcome obstacles and reach their full potential. This powerful alliance between Peoples Gas and CYP underscores their shared commitment to building a brighter future for the next generation, one where knowledge and opportunity know no bounds. Here are a few sentiments from volunteers.



"What great energy from a lovely bunch of kids. I was impressed with how they all looked out for each other and have fun along the way. i was glad that you came downtown and spent time with me and Peoples Gas colleagues." - Patrick K.

"This was certainly a rewarding way to spend a Tuesday evening. I want to thank all of you students for the pleasure of your company. I can't wait to see you all back next school year."

- Melani M.

"Demari, Ava, Nariska, Brelle, Lenell, Demontae, Alana, Robert, Delaney, Nayomi and of course Ms. Minter, thank you for an incredible year. Meeting you and getting to know each of you enriched my life. I hope to see all of you next year." **- Tom W.**

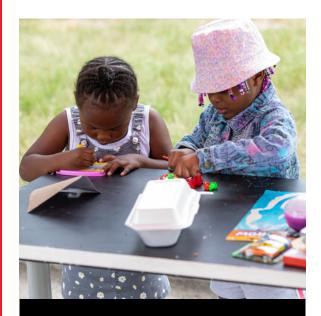


"Lenell is creative, intelligent, and a friend to all that meet him. His reading and math skills have improved this past year and I am very happy to be part of this. I was very lucky to work with him."

- Mr. Tom

"Alana is has been my pleasure to be your tutor this school year. I have come to see your advance and grow in your studies. You are such an amazing and smart young lady. I pray you will continue to shine and be the best in all that you do. Have a healthy, fun, and safe summer full of wonderful activities."

- Miss Miranda



BE APART OF THE CHANGE

1984

is the year CYP began

750

youth served annually

100%

high school graduation and post-secondary matriculation rate in 2022

Make a difference in the life of Chicago Youth Programs Youth!

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PEACE STREETS RECAP

The Peace Streets Health and Resource Fair, hosted by CYP, was a resounding success, bringing together families and communities for an unforgettable outdoor block party-style event.

This event was a testament to the power of community and collaboration. It provided a platform for families and individuals to come together, building bridges and creating a safe and inclusive environment for everyone. Families participated in a number of activities including health screenings and consultations, group workouts, face painting and more.

As we reflect on this transformative event, we are filled with gratitude for all the partners, volunteers, and participants who made it possible. Huge thank you to Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, Washington Park Clinic (University of Chicago), Southside Free Clinic (SSFC), Equal Hope, and IIIMAGINE Entertainment.

The Peace Streets Health and Resource Fair has left an indelible mark on our community, inspiring us to strive for lasting peace, resilience, and a brighter future for all.



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