



OFFICE OF CHILD AND YOUTH SUCCESS



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A City Where Children and Youth Thrive

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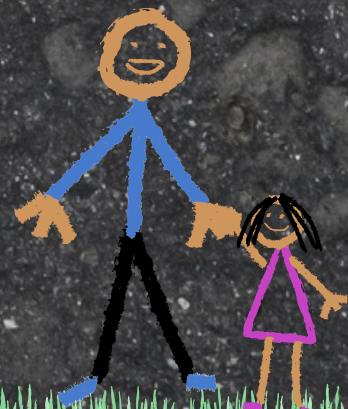
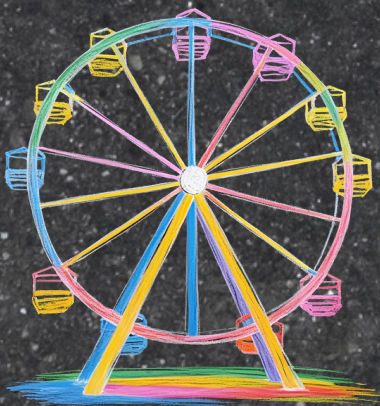
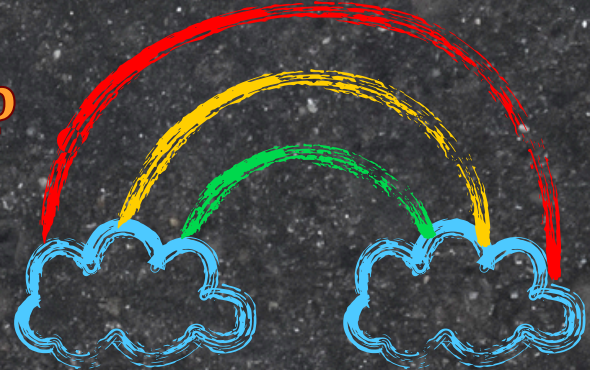
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ABOUT US

The Office of Child & Youth Success will serve as a navigation and connection point for residents seeking supportive services and programming for youth ages 24 and below.

VISION

Through trust, transparency, equity, and inclusion, the City of San Diego, Office of Child and Youth Success will coordinate a network of community stakeholders that will provide a shared framework to deliver high-impact solutions to challenging circumstances for young people empowering them to thrive in the community they serve.

MISSION

The Office of Child and Youth Success is dedicated to prioritizing San Diego's youngest community by providing access to resources, services and high-quality programs to improve social, health, and educational outcomes.

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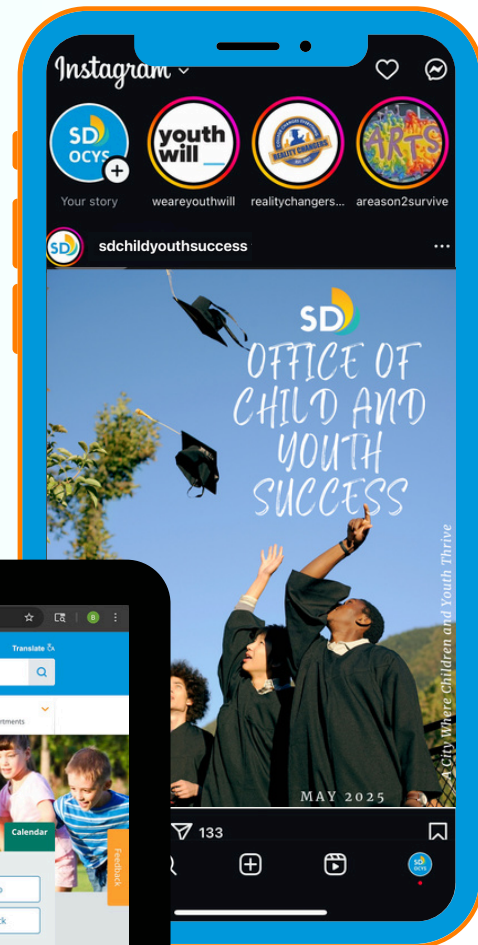
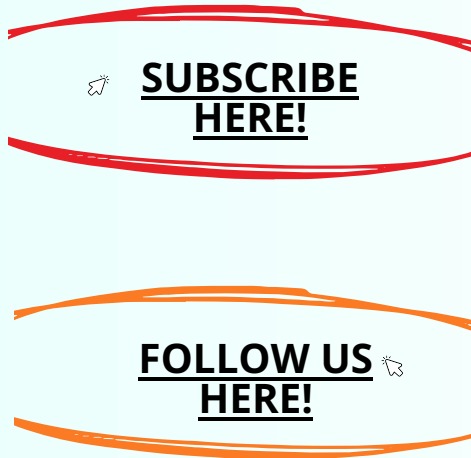
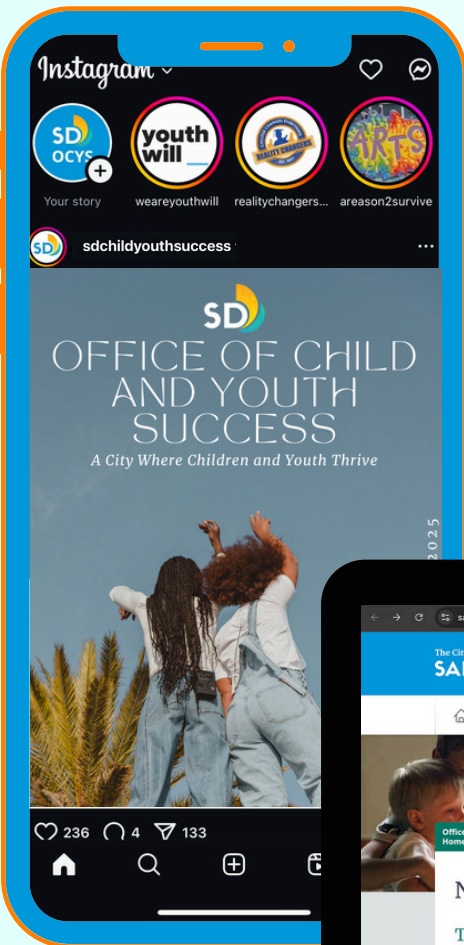
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Special Shoutout to **Tianna Fair**, a valued member of our OCYS intern team who has led and organized our Newsletter since April 2024.

Stay In The Loop

The Office of Child and Youth Success newsletters are carefully crafted by the talented Employ & Empower Youth interns! Subscribe and follow us on Instagram to stay current on youth resources and more!

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PRIDE MONTH

WHAT

Pride month celebrates LGBTQ individuals and sends the message that all LGBTQ individuals should be proud of who they are. The month is meant to recognize the impact that LGBTQ individuals have had on history.

WHERE

- **Hillcrest** is the “epicenter of the city’s LGBTQ+ community” ([source](#)). It is sometimes referred to as a “gayborhood”, and has lots of LGBTQ+ residents as well as LGBTQ+ owned businesses.
- **Other LGBTQ+ friendly neighborhoods** include **North Park**, **University Heights**, and **South Park**. They all have welcoming environments, LGBTQ+ owned businesses, and host LGBTQ+ events.

THE **SAN DIEGO PRIDE PARADE IN HILLCREST** IS CELEBRATED IN JULY, RATHER THAN JUNE! (**JULY 19TH** FROM 10 AM TO 3 PM)

A LITTLE HISTORY

Pride Month originates from the **1969 Stonewall Uprising in New York City**. Police frequently raided gay bars at the time. On the morning of June 28th, 1969, police raided the Stonewall Inn, a gay bar. The police arrested a number of people and became increasingly aggressive. People at the inn were frustrated with police harassment and discrimination and started throwing pennies, bottles, and other objects at the police. Soon, a full-out riot of hundreds of people had begun, and the mob tried to set fire to the bar. The riot was eventually dispersed, but similar protests continued in that area for the next 5 days. The riots set a stream of LGBT political activism into motion.

RESOURCES

- **The Trevor Project** (resources for LGBTQ individuals, and informational resources for people looking to learn more)
- **The San Diego LGBT Community Center**
- **Hillcrest Youth Center**
- **San Diego Youth Services**
- **Our Safe Place centers (all locations)**
 - **San Diego Youth Services locations**
 - **YMCA locations**

SUMMER JOBS

The City of

SAN DIEGO



Aquatics



Maintenance



Golf



Recreation



Why work a summer job?

Summer break is the perfect opportunity to use your time away from school to hone in on new skills and build your resume. Many local organizations offer temporary positions during the summer, specialized for students and young adults.

[READ MORE](#)



At the YMCA you'll find opportunities in the following areas:

- Day camp leaders and assistants
- Overnight camps — Marston, Raintree and Surf
- Preschool teachers and staff
- Lifeguards and Swim Instructors

Love the fair? Join their team and get tons of perks like free tickets for friends and family!



LUNCH @ THE LIBRARY

What is Lunch @ the Library?

San Diego Public Library has partnered with the San Diego Unified School District to help end summer hunger. Free summer breakfast and lunch will be provided for youth aged 0-18.



Public Library

SANDI COAST Cafe Summer Breakfast 2024-2025				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Honey Cheerios with String Cheese	Pancake Bites	Conchas (Sweet Bread)	Cinnamon Rice Chex Cereal with String Cheese	Mini Cinnamon Rolls
Fresh Fruit Selection with Fruit Cup	100% Fruit Juice with Fresh Fruit Selection	Fresh Fruit Selection with Fruit Cup	100% Fruit Juice with Fresh Fruit Selection	Fresh Fruit Selection with Fruit Cup



SUN Bucks (Summer EBT)

California's Summer EBT program, known as SUN Bucks, is returning in 2025. This food program provides families \$40 per month for food in June, July, and August (\$120 total) when children do not have access to school meals.

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READY TO EAT

RESOURCES FOR YOUTH EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS



Click here
if you are a
youth
looking for
services!



“A national non-profit organization working to overcome homelessness through early care and education.”

Provides informational resources about homelessness for students, written by students.

- Emergency shelter
- Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Academy



Click the blue
“YOUTH NEEDING
SUPPORT” button in
top right corner to
get connected with
help.





JUNETEENTH



Juneteenth is more than a celebration — it's a reminder of resilience and the ongoing fight for freedom and justice.

Honoring Juneteenth in the ✦ Black Community:

Attend a local Juneteenth event or visit a Black museum. Support Black-led groups and commit to justice. Most of all, celebrate — fire up the grill and enjoy the day!

Honoring Juneteenth As A ✦ Non-Black Allie?

Juneteenth is a chance to show solidarity — volunteer, donate, or support Black-led groups in your community.

✦ What Is Juneteenth?



On June 19th, 1865 — just 160 years ago — over 250,000 Black people in Texas were finally told they were free, more than two years after slavery was officially ended. That day became Juneteenth. It wasn't that long ago, and that's why we still celebrate, reflect, and keep pushing for true freedom today.



"None are free until all are free."

✦ Federal Holiday



On June 17, 2021, President Joe Biden made Juneteenth a federal holiday — the first since MLK Jr. Day in 1983 and now the 11th official U.S. holiday.

Reflection Prompts for Juneteenth:

1. What does freedom mean to you today?
2. How would you have felt finding out you were finally free?
3. What does Black joy look like in your life?
4. How can you honor your ancestors?
5. Do you think everyone experiences freedom equally? Why?
6. How do you see the legacy of slavery still showing up today?

JUNETEENTH

JUBILEE KICK-OFF

Saturday, June 14 • San Diego Central Library

Dennis Gittens Jazz Duo

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. • Garden Courtyard

Celebrate the heritage of jazz music with a live performance by the Dennis Gittens Jazz Duo. Gittens has developed a smooth, soulful vocal style that is deeply rooted in the jazz tradition and heavily influenced by artists Johnny Hartman, Sarah Vaughan and Frank Sinatra.



King Britt

3:30 – 5 p.m. • Neil Morgan Auditorium

Award-winning composer, producer, performer curator, and UCSD Professor King Britt presents **Blacktronika: Afrofuturism in Electronic Music**, an informative and genre-breaking music travelogue honoring innovators of color who have shaped electronic music's landscape, spanning genres like Chicago House, Detroit Techno, and Drum & Bass.

Resource Fair & Voter Registration

Noon - 3:30 p.m.
Courtyard

The Back-Alley Poets & Chanté Summers

Opening libation at 1 p.m. and readings from local poets throughout the day, hosted by Paola Capó-García, San Diego Poet Laureate. Featuring The Back-Alley Poets (Samira Hassan, Fatuma Fadhil and Zamzam Fadhil) and Chanté Summers. Take home a copy of our Juneteenth Jubilee zine while supplies last.



Reality Changers: The Importance of Financial Literacy & Budgeting

Understanding Financial Literacy:

Financial literacy is essential for students preparing to navigate real-world responsibilities. Financial literacy refers to the knowledge and skills needed to manage money effectively. This includes understanding income, expenses, savings, debt, and basic financial planning. Learning how to create a budget is a foundational step in building financial independence, setting goals, and making informed choices about spending and saving.

Why Budgeting Matters:

A budget is a financial plan that helps track income and expenses over a set period of time, typically weekly or monthly. For students, budgeting ensures you don't run out of money, helps prioritize needs vs. wants, and builds habits that support long-term financial stability. Whether you're saving for college, planning a trip, or managing a part-time job, budgeting keeps your spending aligned with your goals.



Key Concepts to Learn:

Income: All the money you receive (e.g., allowance, job, scholarships).

Expenses: What you spend (e.g., food, school supplies, transportation, entertainment).

Fixed vs. Variable Costs: Fixed costs stay the same each month (e.g., rent, phone bill), while variable costs can change (e.g., eating out, clothing).

Needs vs. Wants: Learn to distinguish between essentials and extras to make smarter spending decisions.

Saving: Putting aside a portion of income for future needs or emergencies.

Goal Setting: Setting short & long term financial goals helps you stay motivated and intentional with money.

Activity – Create Your Own Budget:

Students will create a sample monthly budget using a fictional or real income (e.g., \$200). They will list all expected expenses, categorize them, and determine how much they can allocate to savings. This hands-on practice builds real-life skills and encourages thoughtful financial habits.

Conclusion:

By understanding the basics of financial literacy and how to build a budget, students gain confidence and control over their financial futures. These skills empower them to make informed decisions, avoid unnecessary debt, and achieve personal and academic goals with greater financial awareness.

Additional Resources:

- **Nerd Wallet** provides access to the database to search for starter credit cards, including building credit and re-establishing credit.
- **Self** An online app through Google Play Store or Apple Store that helps you rebuild your credit.
- **MyPath Financial Literacy:** A Financial Literacy Application to help establish healthy money management habits and they also offer low interest loans for low-income students. MyPath provides free and individualized education, case management, and assistance with student loan issues for young adults ages 18–30 who are residents of California.
- **Banks** such as Wells Fargo, Chase and SoFi offer additional online support.

FATHER'S DAY



Father's Day is Sunday, June 15th! Father's Day is a chance to show appreciation for the father figures in our lives — dads, grandpas, uncles, mentors, or anyone who's been there to guide us. Whether through words or actions, a little love goes a long way.

✦ Celebrate Yourself, Dad:

- Connect with Other Dads
 - You're not alone
- Take a Break Without Guilt
 - Rest is productive
- Treat Yourself
 - Grab your favorite meal or dessert
- Reflect on Your Wins
 - What are you proud of as a father?



Being a father is a challenging gift. This Father's Day, take a moment to celebrate you! ✨

Celebrating Dad:

✦ Crafty Gift Ideas:

- Homemade Card
- Coffee-Lovers
- Scrappy Self-Portrait
- Pizza Night Kit
- Coupon Book



Homey Gift Ideas: ✦

- Play Video Games
- Game Night
- Movies and Popcorn
- Make Breakfast
- Indoor Picnic
- Watch The Game



✦ Adventurous Gift Ideas:

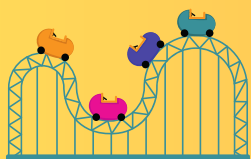
- Basketball Match
- Museums
- Car Show
- Hiking Trip
- Lowe's Trip



San Diego County Fair



Celebrate the paws-itively amazing bond between pets and people at this year's Summer Pet-tacular—featuring exhibits, adoptions, and more! (Sorry—no pets allowed on the fairgrounds.)

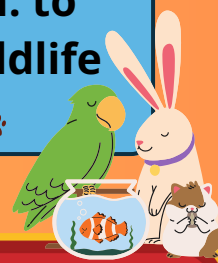


Pet-Tacular!

145th Anniversary: A Shared Purpose

The San Diego County Fair and the San Diego Humane Society were both founded in 1880. Two institutions built on community, compassion, and connection.

This year, they celebrate a shared anniversary by partnering on the 2025 “Summer Pet-Tacular”, with a united mission: to honor the bond between people and animals, promote wildlife education, and help shelter pets find loving homes. 🐾



TICKET

Weekdays (Wed–Thurs):

- Adults (13–61): \$15
- Seniors (62+): \$12
- Youth (6–12): \$12
- Kids 5 & under: FREE



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DAYS & HOURS OF OPERATION

The 2025 San Diego County Fair is open June 11 - July 6
(closed Mondays & Tuesdays.)

11am to 11pm each day.
Gate entrances close at 10pm.

Exhibit buildings, Shopping halls
and Family Funville close at 10pm;
bars close at 10:30pm.

TICKET

Weekends (Fri–Sun) & July 4:

- Adults (13–61): \$20
- Seniors (62+): \$17
- Youth (6–12): \$14
- Kids 5 & under: FREE



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UPCOMING EVENTS

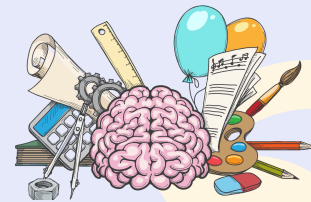


► TEDx DELMAR YOUTH

TEDxDelMarYouth is where bold ideas meet young changemakers. This high-energy event is all about giving youth a platform to share their stories, spark conversations, and inspire action.

June 8th 3- 6 pm
Carmel Valley

5290 Harvest Run Dr San Diego, CA



MASS CREATIVITY FEST ►

Mass Creativity Day 2025 is a free, all-ages event celebrating creativity and community at The New Children's Museum. Enjoy hands-on art activities, live performances, and family-friendly fun.

June 14th 9am - 3 pm
New Children's' Museum
200 W Island Avenue San Diego, CA



► BALBOA PARK TWILIGHT CONCERTS

Grab your friends or family, bring a picnic, and enjoy a variety of bands and genres — all under the stars in San Diego's iconic Balboa Park.

Starting **June 17th: Every Tues,
Weds, Thurs.**
6:30 - 7:30 pm
Spreckels Organ Pavilion



STREET - FAIR AND CHILI COOK OFF ►

Free for all-ages! A beachside bash with live music, local art, tasty bites, and the ultimate chili throwdown! Dive into Ocean Beach vibes and celebrate culture, community, and nonstop fun in the sun.

June 28th 10am - 8 pm
Ocean Beach Main Street

A Special Thanks to Tianna Fair!

**Thank you for your hard work, dedication, and
contribution to our team. We'll miss you Ti!
Support Ti in her future endeavors by checking
out her book [here!](#)**

- OCYS Team

