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# YOUTH HOPE'S 10TH ANNUAL A DAY IN THE PARK

Sylvan Park  
601 N University St  
Redlands, CA  
Saturday September 23rd 2023  
8:00am-12:00pm



We are so excited for our annual YouthHope's Day in the Park happening September 23, 2023 at Sylvan Park in Redlands from 8:00am-12:00pm.

If you have a car that you would like to show, you can sign up at our website <https://youthhope.org/day-in-the-park>.

Register by September 1 and get a t-shirt along with a discounted price of \$25. We hope you can join us for this great day!

## Back to School

We can't believe summer is ending and our youth are heading back to school this month. It's been a great summer and we want to make sure our youth have everything they need to start the year off strong. We are looking for donations of school supplies.

If you are able to donate any of the following items, please drop them off Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm.

### Items Needed

- 3 ring notebooks
- Pencil and pens
- Backpacks
- Notebook paper

## I Won't Stop Fighting

I started coming to Youth-Hope a few years ago. It has always been a safe spot for me to hangout after school. I am guaranteed a meal, good conversation, and groceries.

I live with my mom who doesn't work. We don't have a lot of money which means we don't have much food. The grocery boxes from Youth-Hope have made it to where we are able to have 3 meals a day. That should be the norm, but before YouthHope, we were only able to eat 1 or 2.

I was so happy with how I was able to support my family by bringing groceries home.

Life was good until I came home to my house on fire. We still don't know the cause, but my mom had a problem with hoarding, so whatever the cause was, the amount of

stuff in our house just made more fuel for the fire.

I didn't have a lot of stuff, but all the stuff I did have was gone. I was devastated.

My mom told me that night that I needed to find a place to stay. She was leaving town to go stay with her sister and there was no room for me.

So now I lost my home, my mom, and all of my stuff. The only place I could turn to was to YouthHope.

As soon as I walked through the door, every staff member was helping me find a place to live. After hours on the phone, they were able to find me a permanent residence for me until I turn 18.

I'm so thankful for Youth-Hope for being there for me and for continually helping me regardless of what my need is. With YouthHope, I know I will be ok. My life is changed because of Youth-Hope.

### Did You Know?

60% of the youth we serve have been kicked out or have runaway from their house.

## A Note From the Founder



Wow I can't believe summer is ending. That seemed to be the fastest summer we've had at YouthHope. It's been a great summer and we are excited to start a fresh school year! So many of our youth are so excited to start strong. We have gotten several youth re-enrolled in school because they know the importance of education. I am proud of them and know that it will be a great year.

Our Car Show is next month and we can't wait! We still have room for some more cars and vendors. If you are interested in being a part of a great day, please sign up at [www.youthhope.org](http://www.youthhope.org).

I just want to send a special thank you to all of our volunteers. We have some of the best volunteers and I am so thankful that we can rely on people showing up week after week to hang out and help our youth.

Summer is difficult to find volunteers, but we have had a lot of great help this summer. We've had youth passing GED tests, food being prepared, and people taking youth to different appointments. Thank you so much! YouthHope wouldn't be able function without all of your help.

If you are interested in volunteering, please email us at [info@youthhope.org](mailto:info@youthhope.org)!