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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!

End of School Party

We celebrated big time when school got out this year. We had a water slide, a water gun battle, a BBQ thanks to Redlands Sunrise Rotary, and had so much fun! We celebrated youth finishing another school year, youth graduating, and youth who got jobs! Every accomplishment is worth celebrating!



It's Not Always a Happy Ending

What happens when we don't get the ending we hoped for? When dreams don't come true and when young people die?

At YouthHope we have to face this reality more than we want.

This is a story of a young man that we tried our hardest to save.

He grew up in a house surrounded by drug users. He was born into circumstances that were unfair and so from an early age, he had to fight to not become an addict.

When he was 18 he moved into our YouthHope Housing. He was determined to not be like his family. He was drug free, alcohol free, in school full time, and working part time. He had a mentor that helped him and was there for him. He was doing amazing,

After a few months, he came to us to tell us that he couldn't stay in the house anymore because the rules were too hard for him. We tried to talk to him and tried to get him to change his mind, but ultimately he left our Housing Program.

He moved back into his parents house and began using drugs again.

Last month, he overdosed. When the police found him, he was braindead and had no

ID on him. They had to get his fingerprints so they could notify his family.

These types of stories break our heart. It reminds us that our work is far from over. If we can help one youth from experiencing this, then all of our work is worth it,

We hope this story stirs a fire in you to want to help stop youth homelessness and drug use. We can help save lives together.

Did You Know?

52% of our youth have experienced abuse usually at the hands of a family member

A Note From the Founder



We had such a great End of Year Party for our youth. We had the best water slide, a massive water gun fight, and delicious food. Our youth were able to forget about their problems for an afternoon and were able to just be kids. They were chasing us with water guns and going down the slide laughing and having a great time.

The party is one of my favorite days of the year and I'm so

glad we were able to start it back up this year.

We've been having a great summer so far at YouthHope. We have had many youth come in to get their Food Handler's Certificate because they want to go out and get a job. We've also been helping with resumes and job applications.

As we start thinking about the upcoming school year we want to make sure that our

youth are ready to go when school starts. Some of the things that we need to ensure that our youth have a great start to the school year are backpacks, school supplies like pens, pencils, notebooks, etc. If you are able to donate any of these items, please email us at info@youthhope.org or drop them off at our Drop in Center Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm.

Thank you for caring!