VISION Young Leaders' Academy

NEWSLETTER

VISION YOUNG LEADERS' ACADEMY IS A 501(C)(3) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION MENTORING YOUTH IN VENTURA COUNTY.

WE ARE COMMITTED TO MAKING OUR COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE BY BUILDING LEADERS OF THE FUTURE.

OUR MISSION IS TO MENTOR YOUTH, GUIDING THEM TOWARD A STRONG SENSE OF SELF WHICH WILL POSITIVELY IMPACT THEIR COMMUNITY.

WE ACCOMPLISH OUR MISSION BY BUILDING A STRONG, SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY WITH AN OPEN INVITATION TO OUR WEEKLY MEETUPS, MONTHLY HANGOUTS, QUARTERLY BOOK CLUB, AS WELL AS OUR COMMUNITY SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

SEPTEMBER

FIELD TRIP

Our field trip to LA was a slam dunk! We enjoyed a delicious Mexican dinner before cheering on the LA Sparks. They celebrated basketball legend Lisa Leslie, who's statue was unveiled, and she spoke during halftime. It was such a fun and memorable day!



OCTOBER

MEETUP

We enjoyed a walk to the thrift stores filled with conversation and laughter. We explored two different thrift stores and found some great treasures. On the way back, we treated ourselves to refreshing drinks and tasty treats. It was a great afternoon spent together with friends.



Bryan C. – 7th Grade – Juanita Academy – VISION member since 2022

Why did you join VISION?

I joined VISION because I knew it was going to help me with so many things in my life.

What are your favorite events you have been involved in with VISION?

My favorite event I have been involved in has to be making hygiene bags for the homeless shelter.

What keeps you coming back to continue being a part of VISION?

What makes me want to continue being a part of VISION are all the events we get to participate in and how they make me feel like I belong. Also, how we help our community.

How have you grown through your experiences with VISION?

Through my experiences with VISION, I have grown in many ways. For example, I have matured, I have become nicer to my surroundings, and I have helped a lot of people.

CELEBRATING OUR AWARDS

We are incredibly proud and grateful to receive the City of Oxnard Community Relations Commission's Outstanding Community Organization Award! We attended the City Council Chambers' meeting to accept this special recognition, which honors our remarkable and unwavering commitment to civic engagement, our significant contributions to the community, and our dedication to honorable community service. We are proud to make a positive impact and inspire others through our actions and dedication to serving our community. This recognition would not be possible without our amazing young members and the continued support of our wonderful community. Thank you for being part of this meaningful work!



TACO TUESDAY FUNDRAISER

OCTOBER

Our annual Taco Tuesday Fundraiser was a huge success! The Sastres family cooked up mouthwatering tacos, while Mrs. Arteaga and Mrs. Martinez helped provide delicious rice, beans, and salsa to complete the meal. We had an amazing turnout and loved seeing so many people come together to support our organization. Taco Tuesday is one of our favorite fundraisers because it brings our community together for great food, laughter, and connection. Thank you to everyone who attended, volunteered, and supported us. We couldn't do it without you!



December 1st is Giving Tuesday which launches our End of Year Giving Campaign called Match or Double. The goal is to "Match" or "Double" the amount the previous person donated to raise money for our nonprofit organization throughout the month of December.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November:

GROUP HANGOUT – SKATING PLUS

FIELD TRIP – UCLA BASKETBALL GAME

December:

GIVING TUESDAY – DECEMBER 1ST

END OF YEAR GIVING CAMPAIGN

GROUP HANGOUT – GINGERBREAD DECORATING

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

January:

GROUP HANGOUT – MOVIE NIGHT

FIELD TRIP – CSULB AND UCI CAMPUS VISITS

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