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Dear Prospective Supporter:

For nearly 15 years, **Extreme Boxing School** has operated to provide youth in the Santa Clara River Valley with access to a volunteer-driven afterschool boxing program.

Unfortunately, last December they received notice to vacate which led to the urgency of finding a new location or making a decision to completely shut down the program. The Boxing School serves almost 80 youth, and it's become an essential youth prevention program for those that need it most, so we're determined to find ways through partnership to keep it going.

With a commitment to ensure its future, we are reaching out to request your support of the **Santa Paula Youth Boxing Initiative** which is a community collaboration to build the next chapter of the boxing school program in Santa Paula. The initiative aims to provide young people with a safe and positive environment to develop physical fitness, discipline, and life skills through the sport of boxing.

We believe in the power of sports to instill values such as perseverance, teamwork, and resilience in young people. Our program is designed to teach boxing techniques while fostering self-confidence and respect for others. Over the years, the youth that have participated in our program have seen significant improvements in both their physical and mental development leading many to improved attendance and academic success at school.

However, to continue offering these valuable opportunities to young people from Santa Paula and Fillmore, we need the financial investment of community-minded organizations and individuals like you. We are seeking sponsorship to cover the costs associated with rehabilitating the new space, replacing worn out equipment, while creating a safe place for youth to spend time afterschool. Your sponsorship would directly impact the lives of young athletes and help us maintain and expand our program for future generations.

To ensure we build a sustainable future, we are working with **One Step A La Vez**, a local Non-Profit who will be serving as our fiscal agent and technical assistance partner. Through mutual partnership, One Step A La Vez is working to bring their innovative youth programs and services to Santa Paula youth this summer.

Together, we will build future champions both inside and outside of the ring, and with your help, *Si Se Puede!* Thank you for considering our request for support.

Santa Paula Youth Boxing Initiative Commitee

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MAKING THE CASE FOR YOUTH BOXING

YOUTH BOXING SERVES AS AN EFFECTIVE PREVENTION STRATEGY FOR AT-RISK YOUTH, OFFERING BOTH PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL BENEFITS THAT HELP ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES THEY FACE IN SCHOOL, WORK, AND LIFE.

Discipline and Structure

Boxing training requires consistency, focus, and hard work. For at-risk youth who might lack structure or routine in their lives, this discipline can help create positive habits and a sense of responsibility. Regular practice and setting goals can foster a sense of purpose and direction.

Physical Fitness

Boxing is an excellent way to build cardiovascular health, strength, and coordination. A well-rounded fitness regimen can help youth feel better physically, which often translates into improvements in mood and mental health. It also provides a productive way to release energy, which is particularly beneficial for those dealing with stress or frustration.

Mental Resilience and Confidence

The sport of boxing teaches mental toughness. Youth learn to overcome challenges, endure setbacks, and push through discomfort. These experiences can build resilience, improve self-confidence, and instill a "never give up" attitude, which can be beneficial in overcoming life challenges.

Anger Management

For at-risk youth, anger or aggression may be a concern. Boxing provides an outlet for these feelings in a controlled and safe environment, helping to channel aggression into a productive activity. It encourages emotional regulation and teaches participants how to handle frustration in healthier ways.

Mentorship and Community

Boxing gyms often foster a strong sense of community and mentorship. Coaches and senior boxers act as role models, guiding youth and encouraging positive behavior both inside and outside the gym. This social aspect can reduce isolation, build friendships, and create a supportive environment for youth.

Reducing Risky Behavior

Engaging in boxing and spending time at a gym can deter youth from engaging in risky behaviors like drug use, gang involvement, or violence. Youth in structured sports programs often have fewer opportunities to engage in these behaviors because their time is occupied with training and competition.

Goal Setting and Achievement

Boxing offers clear milestones and goals, such as improving technique, passing certain skill levels, or preparing for a competition. These goals help keep at-risk youth motivated and focused on positive achievements, which can serve as a powerful deterrent to negative influences.

Sense of Belonging

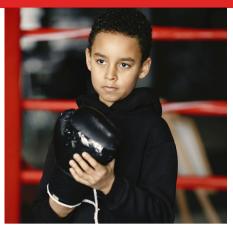
Many at-risk youth struggle with feelings of alienation. Boxing programs provide a sense of belonging, where participants feel accepted, valued, and supported. This can be especially important for individuals who may have experienced neglect or exclusion in other areas of life.

The sport of boxing offers a holistic approach to helping at-risk youth by providing physical activity, emotional regulation, discipline, and mentorship, all of which are crucial for breaking cycles of poverty and disadvantage. These benefits can create opportunities for personal growth, steering them away from negative influences and toward healthier futures.

A vast majority of the youth participating in the boxing program come from families with limited or low income, so your support will ensure they have access to the facility regardless of their families' person income situation.



SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES



The **Santa Paula Youth Boxing Initiative** provides young people with the opportunity to engage in boxing training while developing valuable life skills such as discipline, perseverance, and respect.

Your investment is crucial to ensuring this program continues to support youth who need it the most. The support you give today helps youth do better in school, work, and life.



\$2,500 - \$5,000 WORLD CHAMPION

- Featured Recognition on our Hall of Fame as part of our "Founders Circle"
- Custom-naming opportunities for donations of \$2,500 \$5,000 within the gym space.
- Prominent Logo and Banner Placement in Boxing Ring
- Advertising on Website and Social Media
- Boxing Events and Activities will list "Presented By" for One Year
- 5 Minute Hot Spot at Featured Boxing Events
- Complimentary Tickets and VIP Box Seats at Featured Boxing Events



\$1,000 - \$1,500 UNDISPUTED CHAMPION

- Recognition on our Hall of Fame as part of our "Founders Circle"
- Logo and Large Banner Placement in the Boxing Gym
- Advertising on Website and Social Media
- 1 Minute Hot Spot at Featured Boxing Events
- Complimentary Tickets for Featured Boxing Events



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UNIFIED CHAMPION

- Recognition on our Hall of Fame as part of our "Founders Circle"
- Logo and Medium Banner Placement in the Boxing Gym
- · Advertising on Website and Social Media
- 50% Off Tickets for Featured Boxing Events



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LINEAL CHAMPION

- Recognition on our Hall of Fame as part of our "Founders Circle"
- Logo and Small Banner Placement in the Boxing Gym
- Listing on Website and Social Media Promotion



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SPONSORSHIP PLEDGE

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