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YouthHope's Day in the Park Car Show



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH 2025 8AM - 2PM

Sylvan Park, Redlands, CA

Join us for the 12th annual YouthHope Car Show and Family Day in the Park. There will be coffee, donuts, opportunity baskets & a silent auction, food & drinks, merchant vendors, kids craft, a DJ, and more.

There is still time to sign up your car or to be a vendor. We would love to have you at our car show!

Every year, we have more and more people that come out that would love to see your car or your product.

To sign up to show your car or to be one of our vendors, go to www.youthope.org/day-in-the-park

I Was Lost

When I graduated high school, I was not excited about the future. I had no where to live, no plans, and no family support.

I was scared and really didn't know how I was going to survive this big world.

I had been going to Youth-Hope for a few years at this point, and when one of the staff asked me what my plans were for after high school, I just kind of laughed and shrugged my shoulders. I tried to pretend that I wasn't worried and that I didn't care.

Deep down, I did care. I ws worried and I didn't know the first step to take.

The Case Manager could see right through me. She called me over to sit down with her and she started asking me questions that really helped me see what I wanted to do. She asked me my interests, my goals, what I wanted to do in life if I could choose anything. She wanted me to dream without thinking about the road blocks.

I immediately knew. I wanted to be a phlebotomist. I wanted to help people.

YouthHope helped right away. They got me signed up for classes, got me the books I needed, and even got me a tutor that would help me multiple times a week.

They took away the fear. I now knew what to do, how to achieve it, and I had an entire support system behind me.

I just took my exam this past June and passed. I am officially a phlebotomist.

A year ago, I was lost, but today I feel more certain of my future than I ever have before.

Did You Know?

48% of our youth live in Redlands and most of those youth were born and raised in Redlands.

A Note From the Founder



School is starting! What a great summer we had with our youth working hard in summer school and in their jobs. They are ready for a great year.

Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies for our youth. They are heading back to school recharged and new backpacks filled with supplies.

Our youth want to fit in. They don't want people to know that they can't afford new clothes

or a new backpack for school. Because of you and the generous donations of people and organizations in our community, our youth are heading to school with new clothes, new backpacks, new supplies, and new shoes.

I'm hoping that each and every youth have the best year. That they will be successful and feel supported along the way. I cant wait to see all they accomplish this year and help them as they reach their

goals.

Our Car Show is next month and we hope you are planning to come out and spend the day with us.

It's going to be a great day to bring the family and hang out at Sylvan Park. We will have cars to look at, vendors to shop from, a kids zone with face painting, and delicious food to eat