YouthHope Car Show

We had such a great Car Show last month. Thank you to everyone who came out and supported us. It was a great day with amazing cars, fun vendors, yummy food, and great company! We loved being able to see everyone and can’t wait for our next event!

Yucaipa Regional Park Camping Trip

In August, we took a group of youth to the Yucaipa Regional Park for an overnight camping trip. It was a blast and the youth got to go fishing, play disc golf and go on the waterslides. A huge thank you to F.O.R. Parks for sponsoring all of the activities for our youth. This wouldn’t of been possible without you. THANK YOU!
I’m 21 and I’m from Chicago. Me and my sister traveled here about a year ago in our beat up truck. We lived with an abusive/alcoholic father and had big hopes that the West Coast would have better opportunities for us.

Once we got here, I joined a band and every time we had gigs, I would make enough money for a motel for a few nights. On nights when we didn’t have a show, we would have to sleep in the truck.

We’ve been doing this for about a year now and it’s growing weary on us.

My sister is only 15 and I want her to have a better life. The past couple of weeks, we have been sleeping at the local park and noticed a group of people that bring food twice a day.

We went over to see what they were doing and they gave us a delicious lunch. They said that they were called YouthHope and that they can help us if we needed help.

After I sat down and talked with them, they said they will help us get into housing and help my sister into school.

My sister is pretty scared to go back to school. We’ve only had each other for a whole year, but I think it’s time.

I also got a job at Amazon and I’m excited to save up some money so we can start providing for ourselves.

In the meantime, we will continue to go to YouthHope to get food from YouthHope. We will get groceries from them and accept the help they give us.

YouthHope didn’t require anything from us. They didn’t ask about our past or what we did to get ourselves in our situation. Instead they offered a helping hand. They offered food. They offered hope.

I used to think family was just blood, but I’m starting to see that family is people who love and help you regardless of our past. YouthHope is my family now!

Since 2011, YouthHope has given out over 4,800 bus passes. Our youth are going to school and getting jobs. We are so proud of them!