



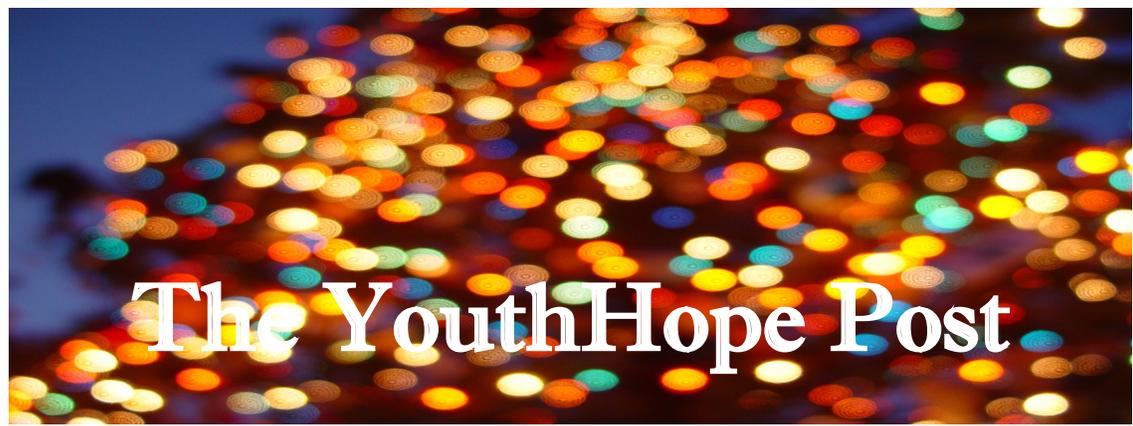
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The YouthHope Post

Thank you!

We've made it through another amazing year and we have taken this month to reflect on this past year and all that we experienced. This year we saw so much growth from our youth! We handed out 383 bus passes. In order to get a bus pass, each youth must show proof of school attendance every month. We saw 286 youth take full advantage of our computer lab to make resumes, work on homework, get their food handlers certificate, or search for jobs. We helped over

50 youth get jobs, and we served meals to over 844 different youth.

All of these amazing things that our youth did this year was only possible because of you! Without the constant volunteers, food preparation, clothing donations, food donations, and monetary donors, we would not be able to keep our doors open. It is because of YOU and your never-ending support that we are able to help these youth.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We are so humbled by your generosity and for your belief in our mission to end youth homelessness.

We are ready for 2019 and our 10th year of serving the youth in Redlands. Its going to be a great year and hope you join us for all the success that we will see in our youth and in our community as well as looking back and seeing all that we have accomplished the last decade.

YouthHope Kitchen

We are so excited to announce that we now have a permitted kitchen! We hit many setbacks building our kitchen, but we had amazing volunteers who stood by us, showed up every weekend, and continued making trips to the City and County to ensure everything was going in the right direction.

We would not have a functional, working, permitted

kitchen if it weren't for these amazing people. We are forever grateful.

We have exciting plans for our kitchen and for all the opportunities that have opened up since we have a full working kitchen. Some of the things that are in the works include teaching youth to cook, occasionally cooking meals for our youth, along with some other great

activities!

We are planning an Open House soon to show our finished Drop In Center so keep your eyes open for that information in the next couple of months. We cant wait to share it with you all!



It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year

Christmas is a magical time of year. There's great music, family time, presents, and joy.

This isn't always the case for our youth. Many of them dread this time of year because they don't have a place to spend Christmas and they don't get presents or a good meal or even love.

This is why we started our annual Christmas party. We make sure that every youth gets a new pair of shoes because many times it's the only present our youth receive. We start getting youth to sign up for shoes in October to ensure that every youth signs up.

This past month as youth were signing up, one of our youth kept looking down as he was waiting to sign up. One of our staff went over and asked if everything was ok, he pointed down and said "still got them on". They looked down and the youth still had on the black vans from last year. They were faded, the shoe strings were no longer white, and you could see

his socks through the hole at the top, but he was still wearing them.

When he pointed out his worn out Christmas shoes, he wasn't embarrassed or ashamed that he had the same shoes, but he was proud. His face lit up. He knew he was loved.

Our youth often get looked down on as they skateboard around town, or hang out in places that they shouldn't, or because they smell or ask for money, but for this one night at Christmas, our youth feel so much love from their community. They know that people

have given their time and money to go purchase the shoes.

We can't wait for our youth to open their special shoes this year, especially this one particular youth. We can't wait to see the joy on his face as he laces them up and puts them on his feet, knowing that someone remembered him this Christmas season and will have a reminder all year long that he matters and that people believe in him.

Thank you for making our youth feel loved and cared for!

Did You Know?

76% of our youth's parents work

So even though parents are working, our youth are still struggling with basic human needs like food, shelter, and clothing.

A Note From the Founder



2018 is over and we are heading into a new year. YouthHope's 10th year! I can't believe we have been in business for a decade. What started out as passing out peanut butter and jelly sandwiches downtown, to meeting in several churches, to feeding in a park, and now being in our own facility, it has been such a wonderful journey.

I have met the best youth that have allowed me and our volunteers and staff to come along side of them to help them. I have seen determination and drive

that has left me speechless.

I have also met the most kindhearted and caring volunteers who have spent countless time and money to help our youth.

We are so blessed at YouthHope. Thank you to each and everyone of you who have helped us. We are so thankful for your dedication to YouthHope and to our youth.

We are so excited for our annual Christmas party and we can't wait to give each of our youth a

brand new pair of shoes. It's one of my favorite things we do all year!

I hope you have a great holiday season with your family and loved ones.

Remember us for your year end giving. We are a 501(c)3 and each donation is tax deductible.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!