



FRUITA
COLORADO

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

TO: Fruita City Council and Mayor

FROM: Marc Mancuso, Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: January 24, 2022

AGENDA TEXT: Fruita Youth Action Council Highlights and Goals for 2022

BACKGROUND

The Fruita Youth Action Council would like to outline their highlights of 2020/2021 and goals for 2022.

1. Current member status
2. Civic engagement focus: building social connectedness working alongside Rise Above Colorado on using “Positive Community Norms” format to guide our work
3. Engaging the Community and Developing Opportunities for youth.
 - a. Splash Bash
 - b. Community Movie Nights, Spring Fling
 - c. Volunteering
 - d. Kindness is Contagious Week
 - e. Student Job Fair
4. Highlights and Accomplishments
 - a. Sticker Scavenger hunt
 - b. Rise Above Colorado Mural
 - c. Winter Necessities/Coat Drive
 - d. Splash Bash
5. Future Endeavors
 - a. Volunteering Opportunities
 - b. Events and Opportunities for peers
 - i. Community Potluck
 - ii. Movie Nights
 - iii. Among Us Competition
 - iv. Geocaching, Spikeball League and many more
 - c. Participate in Community feedback sessions

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the budget.

APPLICABILITY TO CITY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Fruita Youth Action Council is established to serve in an advisory capacity and to make recommendations to the Fruita Youth Initiative (FYI) on the following matters:

- A. Youth related issues and relevant topics
- B. The programs, provided to youth by Fruita Parks and Recreation
- C. Youth leadership and civic participation
- D. Opportunities for prosocial activities for youth in the community

The Fruita Youth Action Council also creates an opportunity to put the Positive Youth Development philosophy into action within the City of Fruita by:

- Providing skills and opportunities
- Creating a way to work with youth as partners
- Allowing young people to identify additional opportunities in the community for youth to be a valued partner in community work
- Consulting and involving youth in the Fruita Youth Initiative's program planning, implementation, and evaluation
- Supporting youth and adult partnership together and sharing power to influence and make decisions regarding the City of Fruita's programs, services, and opportunities
- Allowing youth to foster connections and build strong relationships with adults and the community and develop a sense of belonging
- Creating intentional, strong connections with other community partners
- Preparing youth for real world situations and future careers
- Valuing youth as an expert and their time and leadership contributions

OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE COUNCIL

The presentation to Council is informational and there are no options.

RECOMMENDATION

No recommendations are needed.