

**Lansing Youth Services**  
**Town Board Report**  
**January 2023**

**Legos!** Participants in Legos closed out the year with the requested “drop test” day which included a lot of rebuilding of their drop vessels, many prizes and fun. After free building, students drew what they had made to document their creations before retiring the Legos for the time being. **16 youth served.**

Up next is Foodies and Fun, where participants will do food experiments and complete cooking challenges!

**Outdoor Adventure:** Outdoor Adventure participants got very lucky with the weather for the final few program days, with lots of sunshine and warmth it allowed for playing various woodland games such as camouflage and fire building. Youth also enjoyed games of “real life among us”, which was organized, written, and led by our Youth Employee. **15 youth served.**

Students in the next round of outdoor Adventure are excited for snow and what possibilities and opportunities it will bring for creative programming.

**Art and Soul:** Art and Soul youth had a wonderful time making crafts for the Lansing Artisan Fair and then selling their art to members of the public who attended the two-day event. Participants also had the wonderful opportunity to shop for gifts for the Salvation Army’s Adopt a Family program, and this year, make the final delivery. Making the final delivery was a new experience this year and as they were able to see, first-hand, all of the other donated gifts and families represented, they were very inspired and awed by what an amazing operation they are a part of. **15 youth served.**

Coming up next is Mini Olympics, a program based entirely around friendly competition, “Minute to Win It” like challenges, and teambuilding.

**Fun and Field Games:** Participants in Fun and Field Games did a wonderful job adapting their games and equipment for indoor use as the fall sunset times minimized the time spent outside. With the shift to the Adaptive PE Room, there was room and an appropriate space to be able to try all of the outdoor games, indoors. Kan-jam worked well, utilizing opposite corners of the room, and the group spent a lot of time playing “Snakes in the Grass” and “Ghosts in the Graveyard”. **10 youth served.**

Coming up next is Dungeons and Dragons, a very popular role-playing game led by our youth employee.

**Youth Employment:** Youth Employees are starting the new year strong in their Lansing Public Library positions as well as assisting with Lansing Youth Services Programs and assisting teachers at the Lansing High School. We also have three teens that will assist with the Town Recreation Department’s Ice-Skating Program for January and February! **18 youth served.**