Lansing Youth Services Town Board Report May 2022

LYS's next meeting will be in-person on May 19th at 6pm at All Saints

- 1. **Flight Fanatics:** This program explores flight and its evolution. Participants will make gliders and launchers, parachutes, rockets and even fly a real military parachute (like a kite). The local history of airplane production and the National Soaring Museum glider history will be explored. *8 youth served*.
- 2. **Outdoor Adventure:** Participants in Outdoor Adventure began the program with a survivalist mindset, youth worked on the creation of debris huts. Planning and preparing for the outdoors are always a good idea, many discussions took place around planning ahead. Youth also had conversations around what to do when the plan fails, how to have back up plans, and reassess the original plan. The group will take this journey on how to stay alive, sustain, and self-rescue. *8 youth served*
- 3. **Photo Voice:** Participants in this program looked at their community and documented what they feel could use improvement, what is missing, what they love, how to make things better, and share their perspective through photos, video, drawings, or written verse. *10 youth served*
- 4. **Fish Finders:** All about fishing! This program takes place at Myers Park and Salmon Creek. Youth learn and practice fishing skills. Participants will use the fishing gear that the program was awarded through a successful PITCH Presentation a few years back. *6 youth served*.
- 5. **Spaghetti Supper:** LYS held a Drive-thru Spaghetti Supper on April 29th. This year's event was a success, serving approximately 150 takeout meals to the public. Youth took orders, delivered to customers, restocked meals, and greeted the public. The group was very enthusiastic and did a great job at the event. *12 youth served*
- 6. LYS met on April 21st at All Saints. The group organized for the Spaghetti Supper. Only two members attended, but much work was completed.
- 7. LYS had an additional meeting on April 28th at 6pm at All Saints to plan and finalize details for the Spaghetti Supper.
- 8. **Upcoming Event:** LYS Fishing Derby June 18th at Myers Park 7am-10:30am

- 9. Travis is still working with youth in programming on DEI Statement after sharing the youths' thoughts on who comes to program and why would they want to attend. More information and options will be ready for the commission at the May meeting.
- 10. Meghan Guerra Lyons (TCYSD Liaison) reviewed the survey questions and edited the survey to fit the needs of Lansing. The survey will be pushed throughout the month of April and at the Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser. We hope the Town will support our efforts and promote the 2022 Lansing Youth Needs Assessment Adult Survey. The link for the survey is: https://forms.gle/JCHpNAU4WRGxMw899. Currently Lansing has less than 10 responses. LYS is requesting help from the Town to help push out the survey to their networks for any adult who lives or works in Lansing.

QR Code for survey:



11. Meghan has drafted a guideline for Youth Focus Groups. Coordination for this is still ongoing.

LYS 2022 Goals:

- 1. Create orientation packet for new members outlines of fiscal revenue and funded programs. Set expectations to visit programs/uniform template to monitor programs.
- 2. Conduct community needs assessment (focus on impacts of the pandemic).
- 3. Use DEI statement to track metrics and funded programs.
- 4. Incorporate more youth input at meetings for feedback into program decisions.