

Teen Commission Meeting  
March 11, 2026  
Presentations

Item #1  
Intergenerational  
Programs Presentation

# Intergenerational Programs

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# Disco at Dusk

All ages are invited to dance the night away at our themed Silent Disco, where wireless headphones let you switch between music channels and enjoy the party your way!

- **Friday, June 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**
- Cupertino Community Hall
- Adults \$15, Kids and Teens \$10, Senior Center Members \$5



[cupertino.gov/discoatdusk](https://cupertino.gov/discoatdusk)

# Techie Teens

The Techie Teens volunteer program empowers teens to give back by helping the 50+ community build their technology skills.

## Timeline

- Applications open now!
- Applications due **Friday, March 27 at 4 p.m.**
- Interviews scheduled in early April
- Program runs from June 10 to August 7
- [cupertino.gov/teenvolunteer](http://cupertino.gov/teenvolunteer)



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Item #2

California Association of  
Youth Commissions  
Presentation

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# California Association of Youth Commissions (CAYC)

Anya Dalal  
Co-Founder and Chair  
California Association of Youth Commissions  
Cupertino Teen Commission Meeting  
Wednesday, March 11, 2026



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# CAYC

**Pioneering organization dedicated to uniting youth commissions across California to:**

- **share best practices**
- **collaborate on initiatives**
- **enhance the well-being of young people in their communities**

**While youth commissions exist nationwide and some states have state-level commissions, CAYC is the first statewide consortium of local youth commissions in the US!**

**The organization leverages the deep, grassroots insights of local commissions to inform and drive policy recommendations.**

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# CAYC Mission and Goals

- **Empower Youth, Shape the Future:**
    - CAYC seeks to be a powerful collective voice influencing legislation to benefit youth.
    - Together, local youth commissions can share resources, best practices, and support one another in their efforts to empower young people.
  - **Advocacy and Support:**
    - A key goal is to understand and address disparities among youth commissions.
    - Many towns in California lack youth commissions due to limited funding, higher poverty rates, and reduced access to educational and recreational programs.
    - By identifying these barriers, CAYC aims to develop strategies to encourage the formation and sustainability of youth commissions across all communities.
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# TEEN E-BIKE SAFETY SURVEY

FILL IT OUT THE SURVEY (ANONYMOUS) BY MARCH 18

[bit.ly/cayc\\_ebikes](https://bit.ly/cayc_ebikes)

Complete the survey  
for a chance to win a  
\$100 Amazon gift card!



# E-BIKE VIDEO CONTEST



California Association of Youth Commissions

Create a 30-second video sharing your most impactful e-bike safety message

- Open to California students (grades 5-12)
- TikTok, Reel, or short video accepted



**DEADLINE**  
**MARCH 18TH**

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
[CALFORNIAYOUTHCOMMISSIONS.ORG/E-BIKES](https://CALFORNIAYOUTHCOMMISSIONS.ORG/E-BIKES)

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION  
OF YOUTH COMMISSIONS  
**SPRING**  
**CONFERENCE 2026**

**"FROM CLICKS TO CHANGE:  
TURNING ISSUES INTO POLICY"**



**Jennifer Levi**

Braun's Mom  
Live Like Braun



**Ro Khanna**

US Congressman  
17<sup>th</sup> District



**Diane Papan**

CA Assemblymember  
21<sup>st</sup> District



**Jackie Speier**

San Mateo Supervisor  
Former US Congresswoman

March 21, 2026

**9:00am - 12:30pm**

Virtual/Zoom

**Speakers: Office of CA Senator Steve Padilla, Marin Trauma Surgeon  
Dr. John Maa, San Mateo County Supervisor President Noelia Corzo  
Topics & Youth-Led Workshops: AI Chatbots, E-bike Safety, Vote16USA,  
Civic Engagement, Housing, Youth Commission Idea Exchange,  
and more!**

**RSVP NOW for FREE!**

<https://www.californiayouthcommissions.org/>

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# CAYC Future Steps

- **Join Us!**
  - **Be part of the CAYC Leadership Team!**
    - Newsletters, updates, and blogs to share successful activities
    - Outreach to towns without youth commissions to form them
    - Converge on a policy agenda
  - **Write blogs**
  - **Legislation**
  - **Next meeting:**
    - Saturday, March 21, 9 am - 12:30 pm
  - **Please contact us if you have questions:**
    - Anya Dalal, [adalal@californiayouthcommissions.org](mailto:adalal@californiayouthcommissions.org)
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Item #4

Teen Speaker Series Topics

# Parks and Recreation Department Teen Speaker Series Topics

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# Agenda

- Overview of Teen Speaker Series
- 2025 Topics Recap
- Discussion

# Overview of Teen Speaker Series

Launched in November 2025, the Teen Speaker Series connects Cupertino teens with professionals and experts to explore important real-world topics.



# 2025-2026 Topics Recap

- November 1 – College Planning
- November 15 – Financial Literacy
- November 22 – Tech Career Paths

## 2026-2027 Topics

1. What topics should be hosted in 2026-2027?
2. Should we rerun topics? (e.g. Tech Career Paths with different guest speakers)

# Questions?



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Item #5

Pizza and Politics

# Parks and Recreation Department Pizza and Politics

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# Agenda

- Overview of Pizza and Politics
- Past Segments
- Pizza and Politics 2026

# Overview of Pizza and Politics

- Launched in 2016 as a joint teen civic engagement event between Cupertino and Saratoga, later joined by Campbell
- Bi-annual event timed to coincide with election season
- Designed to get teens engaged civically while offering free pizza
- Activities include interactive discussions, mock debates, and Q&A sessions

# Pizza and Politics Past Segments

- Continues to provide hands-on civic learning opportunities for teens
- Past event segments include:
  - Mayor's/Teen Commissioner's Roundtable
  - FUHSD Board of Trustees Panel
  - Teen Debate



# Looking Ahead – Pizza and Politics 2026

- Planning for Cupertino to potentially run the event solo this year
- Feedback from teen commission:
  - What topics, segments, or activities would you like to see?
  - How can we make the event more engaging and relevant?

# Questions?



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Item #6

Splash Bash/Summer  
Kickoff

# Parks and Recreation Department Splash Bash / Summer Kickoff

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# Agenda

- Overview of Splash Bash / Summer Kickoff
- Discussion

# Overview of Splash Bash

- Launched in Summer 2023 as Summer Kickoff
- Designed to celebrate the end of the school year and start of summer
- Featured lawn games like Giant Connect 4, Inflatable Archery, and Volleyball
- Activities included a Super Smash Bros. gaming station and Kona Ice for participants



# Overview of Splash Bash contd.

- Rebranded in 2024 to highlight the new water balloon fight
- Added Inflatable Archery and an Inflatable Obstacle Course
- Expanded activities made the event even more interactive and high-energy



# Splash Bash 2026

- Looking ahead
  - June 7, 2026
- What's next for Splash Bash?
- How can we reach more teens?

# Questions?



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