



**Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission  
2022-23 Term Report**

Youth Commission

# 2022-23 Youth Commission



The Town Council established the Youth Commission to be appointed annually to serve as an advisory group on youth related issues and to serve the community. The Council has appointed the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission to oversee the activities of the Youth Commission.

The following report is an overview of our activities for the term.

# Youth Commission Work Plan



## Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission 2022-23 Work Plan



### Teen Tech Time for Seniors - February

February 6, 13, 27 at the Senior Center from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.  
(no program on 2/20 due to holiday)  
Youth Commissioners assist seniors with their phones and devices.  
3 sessions - Monday afternoons in February



### Spring Senior Dance - March

Saturday, March 11 at the Senior Center  
The Youth Commission will host a dance for our local seniors at the Senior Center featuring a live band, refreshments, decorations and door prizes! Families are encouraged to participate together.



### Teen Splash Day - April

Saturday, April 29 at the Community Center  
Teen Splash Day at the Yucca Valley Community Center. Obstacle courses, volleyball, basketball, kickball, and more! Refreshments and music! Activities for all age groups will be provided.



### Middle School Forums - May

May 18th at La Contenta Middle School  
Lunch presentations featuring info about the Youth Commission program, Music, Q&A about High School, Games & Prizes.



### Grubstake Days Parade Float - May

May 27 at the Grubstake Day Parade  
Youth Commission to design, build and ride on a float in the Grubstake Days Parade. Float theme is protect our environment and encourage reduce, reuse, recycle habits.

### ADDITIONAL YOUTH COMMISSION VOLUNTEER EVENTS

#### Tree Lighting Ceremony

November 29th - Assist Rec Dept with event set-up/clean-up. Host holiday giveaways table.

#### Snow Play Day, Holiday Craft Faire & Santa Visits

Host Hot Cocoa and Cookie station, Assist with Toboggan Run, Door prizes for Craft Faire

#### Healthy Hearts Run

February 25<sup>th</sup> 7:30am to 11am at Essig Park (Dog Park at 8490 Warren Vista)

Assist Rec Dept with setting up 5K Run & 2K Walk, timing runners, giving out awards/door prizes.

#### Easter Egg Hunt

April 8<sup>th</sup> 8am to 11am at the Community Center Softball Field - Assist Rec Dept with setting up egg hunt, handing out baskets & running contests.

#### Grubstakes Run

May 28<sup>th</sup> 7:30am to 11am at the YVHS Stadium. Assist with event set-up/clean-up, awards, cheering.



Our term began by developing a Work Plan. Youth Commission members submitted ideas and discussed options.

We approved a Work Plan which featured Monthly Community Events focused on serving our local seniors and teens. In addition, we volunteered at many community events.

Our final plan had a variety of events and community service activities. We then worked to decide the details of each of the events.

# **FEBRUARY EVENT: TEEN TECH HELP FOR SENIORS**



## **TEEN TECH HELP FOR SENIORS**

*Need help operating your cell phone, tablet or electronic device?  
Want to setup a Facebook account or learn how to text?  
Can't figure out how to take/share pictures?*

Come to the Yucca Valley Senior Center for help! A team of tech-savvy teens from the Yucca Valley Youth Commission will be available to answer questions and assist with basic technology needs! No appointment necessary, this FREE service is available to seniors on a first come, first served basis.



Presented by the  
Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission

**Tech Help at the Yucca Valley Senior Center  
Workshops take place on the following dates:**

**February 6, 13, 27  
Monday afternoons from 2:30-4:00 p.m.**

For more information contact the Community Services Department at (760) 369-7211

We brought back a popular program - Teen Tech Help for Seniors.

We tutored seniors at the Senior Center on how to use their electronic devices including cell phones, tablets, and laptops. Three sessions were offered, February 6, 13 and 27 from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Popular requests for assistance were learning how to text, taking and sharing photos, and using social media.

# MARCH EVENT: SPRING SENIOR DANCE

*Spring*  
**SENIOR DANCE**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023**  
YUCCA VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER - YUCCA ROOM

**Hot Rod DeVilles**  


EVENT TIME  
6:00-8:00 PM

SENIORS 55+ FREE!  
UNDER 55 - \$5 PER PERSON

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY  
*HOT ROD DEVILLES*

COMPLIMENTARY LIGHT  
REFRESHMENTS & DESSERT

PRESENTED BY  
THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY  
YOUTH COMMISSION

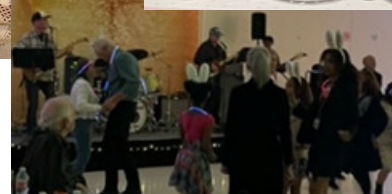
**CELEBRATE OUR SENIORS!**  
BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS TO THIS FUN EVENT!

ADMISSION AT THE DOOR AS SPACE ALLOWS.  
RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED AT THE SENIOR CENTER OR  
COMMUNITY CENTER - OR ONLINE AT [WWW.YUCCA-VALLEY.ORG](http://WWW.YUCCA-VALLEY.ORG)  
CALL (760) 369-7211 FOR INFO



The Youth Commission also hosted a Spring Dance to celebrate our senior citizens. The Dance took place at the Community Center and featured refreshments, a dessert bar served by our members, dancing to live music, and fun door prizes.

Admission was free for seniors. Guests under age 55 paid a \$5.00 admission fee. We invited teens and their families to treat their grandparents to a fun evening.



# APRIL EVENT: TEEN SPLASH DAY!

 **Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission**  
**FREE Teen Event!**

**INFLATABLE SLIDES**

**Free Admission!**

**BOUNCY CASTLE**

## TEEN SPLASH DAY

Saturday, April 29, 2023  
11:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Yucca Valley Community Center Soccer Field

**Families Welcome!**

- Water Slides
- Bounce House
- Dunk Tank
- Volleyball
- Door Prizes
- Snow Cones & Food
- Cornhole & Hula Hoops

Presented by the Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission & Recreation Department.  
For more information call the Community Services Department at (760) 369-7211.  
[www.yucca-valley.org](http://www.yucca-valley.org)

On Saturday, April 29th, the Youth Commission hosted a Teen Splash Day at the Yucca Valley Community Center soccer field. The event featured water slides, a dunk tank, cornhole, hula hoops, and door prizes, along with refreshing snow cones and snack foods. Admission was free with the Commission inviting teens and their families to this fun community event.



# APRIL EVENT: TEEN SPLASH DAY!

A surprise heat wave hit the basin over the weekend and many families found the event a welcome break from the ninety-degree temperatures. Over 450 participants enjoyed relaxing at the community center - playing volleyball, lawn games or enjoying snow cones and hot dogs. Over 260 participants took advantage of the free wristbands for admission to the mega water slides and tot area.



# MAY EVENT: MIDDLE SCHOOL FORUM



Youth Commissioners presented two youth forums at La Contenta Middle School. The presentation included information on the Youth Commission program, Q&A on what it's like in high school, and fun group games with prizes.



# MAY EVENT: GRUBSTAKE DAYS PARADE



The Youth Commission created a parade float for the Grubstake Days Parade with a focus on the environment and encouragement of reduce, reuse, recycle habits.

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# COMMUNITY SERVICE



Youth Commissioners assisted the Recreation staff in the presentation of special events this year. We provided volunteer service at Town events including the Tree Lighting Ceremony, Holiday Craft Fair, Snow Play Day, Healthy Hearts Run, Easter Egg Hunt, and the Grubstakes Run.

# 2022-23 Youth Commission



Thank you for the opportunity to serve our Town!  
We would be happy to answer any questions you may have!

Chair Ashley Lowe, Vice Chair Carlena Rhodes, Commissioners Acacia Smith, Richard Abbott, Sophia Abbott, Ruben Teran, Wesley Mc Davis, Paige Lopez-Elliot, Taylor Soares, Jeleah Falcon, Seth Duval, and Avneet Kaur.