

City of Livermore Youth in Government Framework

Focusing on youth who live, work, and attend school in Livermore – coordinating efforts to help youth develop into future community leaders.

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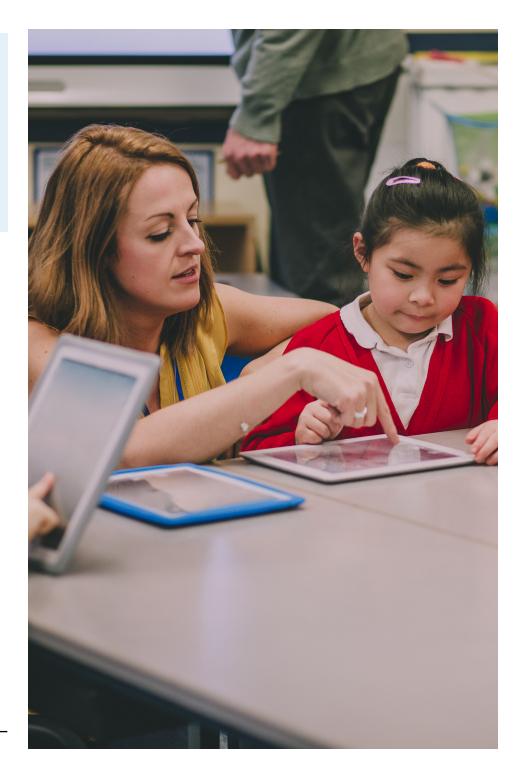
- Identify and facilitate formal programs and opportunities for youth job shadowing, participation, and contributions to intergovernmental business.
- ii. Support a youth-led Advisory Commission that engages young people in civic and community issues.
- iii. Provide support for projects, especially those led by youth, that promote youth participation in government and community events.

Existing Opportunities

- i. Livermore Youth Council
- ii. Livermore Teen Academy
- iii. Police Department Youth Academy
- iv. Youth in Government Day

New Opportunities

- i. Job Shadowing
- ii. Mentorship Programs
- iii. Internship / PT work opportunities starting at age 14





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- i. Share information with youth to help shape their understanding of how local government functions, serves them, and encourages their participation.
- ii. Commit to communicating with young people in a way that is accessible and engaging to them and also beneficial to the City.
- iii. Ensure ample safety nets and social networking opportunities exist for Livermore youth and dedicate resources towards their promotion to improve awareness.

Existing Opportunities

i. City Department informational videos (Government 101)

New Opportunities

- Classroom Visits
- ii. Social Media Campaigns

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- i. Create formal and informal opportunities for Livermore youth to provide feedback on issues affecting the community at large.
- ii. Investigate issues impacting young people and invite youth to participate in policy and advocacy work relevant to them.
- iii. Encourage youth activism discussions in the community.

Existing Opportunities

- i. Livermore Youth Council
- ii. Community Service Day

New Opportunities

- Attending City Council Meetings to provide public comment
- ii. Physical spaces for youth engagement

