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SANTA CRUZ COUNTY FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE (FNL) YOUTH IN ACTION SUMMIT (YAS) VIRTUAL EVENT AND SUMMER INTERNSHIP: BUILDING CONFIDENCE AND EMBRACING OUR IDENTITIES

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY, CA, July 13 - July 14, 2020 —Santa Cruz County Friday Night Live (FNL) invites all youth entering grades 6-12 to join us at our annual Youth in Action Summit (YAS) 2021 event, themed “Building Confidence and Embracing our Identities!” This FREE, interactive networking and skill building event is designed and led by the youth of Friday Night Live. Join us in this two-day virtual, peer-to-peer leadership training on Zoom. **Space is limited, and registration is required.** <https://tinyurl.com/YAS2021REG>. **Secure your spot today! Deadline to register is Monday, July 12th.**



Issa Bunch, youth facilitator shared, “My absolute favorite part of our Youth in Action Summit is where every participant reflects on their experience and who made it extra special; did someone make you feel welcome, brighten your day, or made you laugh? These compliments are shared anonymously so if you get a bit nervous like me, no need to worry. I love this activity; I still keep the affirmations that were given to me; so many memories! And we are looking forward to making more memories this year, with YOU!” - Friday Night Live Youth Council Representative

By attending this event, participants can earn community service hours, strengthen and practice new skills, make friends, and have fun! Through peer lead games and activities, youth identify what they value, discover their unique leadership style, and learn how they can address community issues that impact them and learn how to share their voice.

Participating youth are eligible to apply for an internship opportunity with the County of Santa Cruz, Friday Night Live to practice the leadership skills they have learned at this event and build future job skills. Community Service Hours and stipends are offered to recognize their contribution.

To register, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/YAS2021REG>. The deadline to register is Monday, July 12, 2021. If you have questions, would like more information, or would like to register after this date, please call, text, or email FNL staff member Monica Nicholas at monica.nicholas@santacruzcounty.us or call/text (831) 359-8450.

The Youth in Action Summit is developed and led by the Santa Cruz County Friday Night Live Partnership Youth Council. Friday Night Live builds partnerships to promote positive, healthy youth development, and engages youth as active leaders and resources in their communities.

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