

Pacific Yearly Meeting
Youth Programs Coordinating Committee
Report to Representative Committee (RepCom) 2023

Requests to Monthly Meeting Reps and PYM Committee Clerks: Please share these links with your meeting. We encourage everyone to check the PacYM website for:

- Our regularly updated [intergenerational calendar](#)
- Information and application forms for [grant funding from our Youth Programs Fund](#)
 - YPCC accepts year-round grant applications for youth and intergenerational projects and events, or event attendance assistance.

PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE YOUTH PROGRAMS FUND SINCE PacYM Annual Session 2022:

YAW (Young Adult Wilderness) Trips - For the fourth year YAW trips succeeded in getting more young adult Friends outside and sharing the bonding experience of a trail together.

YAF Work Weekends at Quaker Center - Young Adult Friends gathered in November at Quaker Center for a weekend of fellowship and service. Friends gathered across California and even from out of state to bond together. The event was successful, so we are funding a second iteration in February of this year.

New Years Gathering Support - For the first time in 3 years, Friends gathered in person for Western Young Friends New Year's Gathering. The YP Fund's support enabled this event to restart after a down period and generated engagement and interest from lots of friends who have been detached from our community. This event also introduced many new people to our faith tradition.

CPQM Escape Room - Teens gathered in early January to bond by participating in an escape room.

An Invitation:

Our work this year has largely focused on supporting programming for Young Adult Friends (roughly 18-35). This emphasis reflects the vision and energy of YAFs in our community for fellowship and developing programming. YPCC is positioned to provide institutional support to this age range that is not otherwise provided in the Yearly Meeting committee structure or in many monthly meetings. We are grateful to serve this need. It also reminds us that our engagement with the work of Children's Program committees and JYM/Teen Program at the

yearly, quarterly, and monthly meeting levels is tenuous and too distant. We would like to extend the invitation that we are accepting grants for youth programs of all ages. We also love talking and brainstorming about potential youth programs and current needs. We are here as a resource for support as much as funding.

The committee is not bringing any items for discernment before the Yearly Meeting at this time.

List of YPCC Members:

David East, Keenan Lorenzato, Nancy Mellor, Riana Hensel, Nate Secrest, Alma Moon, Kit Newman, Elena Rosales-Anderson, Anna Lichterman, Sarah Armstrong Jones

Submitted by Kiernan Colby, Clerk