



Program Specialist Laura Blunk and 2nd Year Community Educator Leticia Hogeda facilitating the Student Track at the Austin Regional Forum on April 2nd, 2009.

YPC Program in Full Swing for Spring

This Spring, YPC Community Educators are busy with presentations, team meetings, and Regional Forums.

Jan: Community Educators came back to a busy program schedule after taking some time off during the long winter break. During January, YPC Community Educators continued presenting in the community and participated in the MLK March.

Feb: The Regional Forums started in February with the San Antonio forum being the first. Devin Maynard helped to facilitate the Student Track of the TST Regional Forum. Devin and Laura educated 12 college students on student led prevention strategies to reduce underage drinking.

March: March was a busy month for YPC. YPC presented in several Austin area schools before students were released for Spring Break. Jaime Herrera helped facilitate the Lufkin Regional Forum where he taught over 50 high

school students how to use a Social Norms Campaign at their school.

April: Community Educators are busier than ever as the program year comes to an end. In April, YPC Community Educators will do presentations in 7 different schools around Austin. Leticia Hogeda helped facilitate the Austin Regional Forum and led Garza High School Students in planning an ACTUALITY Social Norms Campaign at their school.

As part of their continued training, Community Educators had an opportunity to hear from guest speakers at some of their team meetings, such as an ER nurse and an Addiction Counselor.

May: YPC is planning an End of the Year party in May to celebrate all the hard work that the 15 Community Educators have put into this year to make it successful!

Presentations will continue during the summer so our program can continue to reach more students and community members!

Important Dates

Last YPC Team Meeting	April 18th
YPC End of the Year Party	May (TBA)
YouthLaunch Service Awards Luncheon	June 11th
YPC Staff/Mentor Retreat	June (date TBD)

We are looking forward to the return of several Community Educators for next year! YPC Mentors will be chosen this summer and will have the opportunity to attend the YPC Staff/Mentor Retreat in June.

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Congratulations to the following Community Educators:

Andrew Peterson, Leticia Hogeda, Dancy Glover, and Stephanie Jean- Accepted into the University of Texas at Austin

Dancy Glover- Also accepted into St. John's college in New York

Sohini Bandy- Accepted into Yale, Duke, and the University of Texas at Austin!

Jacoby Sanders- 1st place finishes in the 200 meter dash and all his relays at his first 4 track meets

AJ Gutierrez- Directed and produced a short film that will be finished this May

Carrington Williams- Received a scholarship to run track at the University of Houston