



## Countywide Youth Commission Contra Costa County



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To Whom It May Concern:

Since 1995, the Countywide Youth Commission (CYC) has served as the primary link between the youth population of Contra Costa County and the Board of Supervisors. The Commission has a mandate to “bridge the gap” between young people and their government and to ensure that the twenty-five percent of Contra Costans who are under eighteen have their voices heard.

The signature event of the CYC is the Youth Hall of Fame Awards. This is a series of awards given every year to 5 deserving youth (12-18 years of age) and 1 adult from Contra Costa County whose achievements would otherwise go unrecognized. Awards are given out in 6 categories: Good Samaritan, School Leadership, Valiant Volunteer, Sports Leadership, Artiste, and Adult Advocate. Please refer to the included nomination forms for details on these categories.

After gathering the nominations, the CYC will review each and every candidate carefully. The required letter of recommendation is crucial to our review process. The CYC will then pick one winner from each category who will receive a plaque commemorating their efforts at the Thirteenth Annual Caesar E. Chavez Commemorative Celebration on April 4, 2006 at the Board of Supervisors Chambers in Martinez. All nominees will also receive certificates and are also encouraged to attend the celebration.

Please assist us in our goal to recognize the outstanding youth of Contra Costa County by submitting a nomination. Nominations can be made by anyone, including teachers, mentors, counselors, principals, administrators, adult leaders of youth, and even other youth. All nominations must be postmarked by Friday, March 17, 2006 and winners will be notified via mail the following week.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, comments or concerns. Nomination forms and more information are available through our website, [www.cyc.typepad.com](http://www.cyc.typepad.com). Thank you for your nomination and on behalf of myself and the Commission, I thank you for your continued support of the youth of our community.

Sincerely,

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