

# Vision Coalition of El Dorado Hills

*A Community Action coalition of Sierra Health Foundation's REACH youth program*

## Youth Action 2007-2008

By supporting and coordinating services for youth, and by providing opportunities for youth participation and decision making, we are making long-term, meaningful change for young people in El Dorado Hills.

### Better Serve Youth and Their Families

>> To coordinate services and strengthen community partnerships, we will:

- > create a community teen advisory committee
- > create an executive advisory committee with teen membership
- > create newsletters and news articles, and hold community events and activities with assistance and leadership by teens
- > increase our coalition membership and increase joint projects with all sectors of the community

### Increase Youth Development Supports and Opportunities

>> To fully prepare young people for success, and to prevent and reduce substance abuse among youth, we will:

- > increase the number and quality of services for youth through partnership agreements, and by providing mini-grant funding for organizations to support policies and services for youth
- > increase mentoring by peers and adults in schools and the community
- > provide youth development training for youth and adults
- > encourage a youth development focus for school curriculum and school activities
- > produce youth media programs by and for youth
- > support safe places and activities for teens, such as the CSD Teen Center



The Community Action coalitions of El Dorado Hills, Galt, Meadowview, Rancho Cordova, South Sacramento, West Sacramento and Woodland are taking these steps to make long-term changes for youth:

### **Preparing For Change By**

- > building awareness, knowledge, involvement and commitment among all community members

### **Making Community Change By**

- > finding ways to help families, organizations and individuals support youth
- > including youth in planning and decision making
- > increasing the number of opportunities for youth
- > increasing the quality of developmental activities for youth
- > creating policies and realigning resources that support youth

### **Providing Youth What They Need to Succeed**

- > nutrition, health and shelter
- > physical and emotional safety
- > supportive relationships with adults and peers
- > meaningful opportunities for leadership and community involvement
- > challenging and engaging activities to build skills

### **So That Youth Will**

- > learn to be productive
- > learn to connect
- > learn to navigate

### **So Youth Become Adults Who**

- > are economically self-sufficient
- > have healthy family and social relationships
- > are involved in community

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