



# community *in action*

LOCAL NEEDS > LOCAL RESOURCES > LOCAL SOLUTIONS

## > youth nonprofits

The Community Foundation has compiled a list of some of the local nonprofit organizations that work to involve, empower, and engage youth. Other organizations will be rotated in over the next three months.

### Boulder Creek 4-H Club

(831) 338-3835

### Cabrillo College Advancement Program

[www.cabrillo.edu/services/cap/programdesc-engl.html](http://www.cabrillo.edu/services/cap/programdesc-engl.html)

### Camp Harmon-Easter Seals Society

[www.es-cs.org/programs/programs.htm#harmon](http://www.es-cs.org/programs/programs.htm#harmon)

### Community Music School of Santa Cruz

[www.communitymusicschool.org](http://www.communitymusicschool.org)

### Davenport Teen Center

[www.cabinc.org/DTSC/](http://www.cabinc.org/DTSC/)

### Growing Cycles

(831) 457-BIKE

### La Manzana Community Resources

[www.chridges.org/lamanzana.html](http://www.chridges.org/lamanzana.html)

Live Oak Family Resource Center



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[www.bridges.org/lamanzana.html](http://www.bridges.org/lamanzana.html)

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[www.bridges.org/liveoak.html](http://www.bridges.org/liveoak.html)

Ocean Explorers Program/Long Marine Lab

[www.seymourcenter.ucsc.edu](http://www.seymourcenter.ucsc.edu)

Ramsay Park Family Center

[www.ci.watsonville.ca.us/departments/prns/index.html](http://www.ci.watsonville.ca.us/departments/prns/index.html)

Santa Cruz County 4-H Youth Development Program

[www.cesantacruz.ucdavis.edu](http://www.cesantacruz.ucdavis.edu)

Santa Cruz County Youth Symphony

426-3238

Summer Jazz Camp/Kuumbwa Jazz Center

[www.kuumbwajazz.org](http://www.kuumbwajazz.org)

Walnut Avenue Women's Center (Kid Care)

(831) 426-3062

Watsonville 4-H

(831) 763-8040

Watsonville Family YMCA

[www.yמצentralcoast.org](http://www.yמצentralcoast.org)

Your Future is Our Business

[www.yfiob.org](http://www.yfiob.org)

YouthSERVE Volunteer Centers of Santa Cruz County

[www.scvolunteercenter.com/youthserve/guide/youthtopps.asp](http://www.scvolunteercenter.com/youthserve/guide/youthtopps.asp)

Find more local organizations that work to involve youth on the Santa Cruz Public Libraries Community Information Database at [www.santacruzpl.org/cid/public/](http://www.santacruzpl.org/cid/public/).

Stay connected with The Local Down Low at [www.localdownlow.com](http://www.localdownlow.com) and For Teens at [www.santacruzpl.org/teens/index.shtml](http://www.santacruzpl.org/teens/index.shtml).

Additional resources can be found at [www.santacruzkids.com](http://www.santacruzkids.com).

To learn more about sports and recreational programs visit your nearest community center of the County or your city's parks and recreation department.

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## > Barrios Unidos

The California Coalition of Barrios Unidos began as a community based peace movement in the violent streets of urban California in 1977. Incorporated as a non-profit organization in 1993, the national office of Santa Cruz Barrios Unidos established the mission to prevent and curtail violence amongst youth within Santa Cruz County by providing them with life enhancing alternatives. Over the past twenty-five years Barrios Unidos has developed a model that seeks to reclaim and restore the lives of struggling youth while promoting unity amongst families and neighbors through community building efforts. From its inception, the focus of Barrios Unidos has been on building an organizational base to support the peace movement rather than simply building an agency. The long-term vision of Barrios Unidos' founders is to establish an Institute for Peace and Community Development in Santa Cruz and focused on supporting an organized peace movement and community development effort in California and eventually throughout the United States.

The ultimate goal of the Institute is to transform the most impoverished and disenfranchised sectors of society—our ghettos and barrios which are currently plagued by poverty, violence and internal conflict—into peaceful and prosperous communities in which human, natural, technological, and financial resources are fully developed and utilized for the individual and social well-being of all members of society. The work of the Institute will draw from and expand upon the multiple strategies and activities that have been developed over the years by Barrios Unidos staff, which are guided by cultural, spiritual, and non-violent principles, to promote social justice, economic equity, civic leadership, democratic participation, community development, self-reliance and peace.

Barrios Unidos is located at 1817 Soquel Ave., Santa Cruz, CA 95062. For more information or to donate call 457-8208 or see their Web site at [www.barriosunidos.net](http://www.barriosunidos.net).

## > tools for action

### Get Connected

The **Local Down Low** ([www.localdownlow.com](http://www.localdownlow.com)) is your local online resource guide. It is a project of *United Way's Together For Youth/Unidos Para Nuestros Jóvenes*. You'll find local info like *Fund Your Fun* that provides links to resources on summer employment opportunities.

### Get Educated

The **Teen Page** at the *Santa Cruz Mercury News* has regional information and blogs to keep you informed and engaged. Check it out at [www.mercurynews.com/mlid/mercurynews/living/people/teens/](http://www.mercurynews.com/mlid/mercurynews/living/people/teens/).

**Summer Reading Adventures** at the Santa Cruz Public Libraries' branches continues through July 30. Read and discuss a book, write a review, or attend a free performance. Learn more at [www.santacruzpl.org/](http://www.santacruzpl.org/) or call 420-5730.

### Get Involved

The **City of Watsonville Parks & Community Services** has a Summer Activity Brochure with classes and recreational activities for youth and families. Find it online at [www.ci.watsonville.ca.us/departments/pcs/index.html](http://www.ci.watsonville.ca.us/departments/pcs/index.html) or call (831) 768-3240.

## > together we can make a difference, get involved.

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