

CITY YEAR SAN JOSE/SILICON VALLEY

**BUILDING DEMOCRACY THROUGH CITIZEN SERVICE,
CIVIC LEADERSHIP, AND SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

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13 YEARS OF IMPACT IN SILICON VALLEY

Over 800 City Year corps members have left a incredible mark on this community by providing meaningful service, including:

- ◆ Tutoring and mentoring over 40,000 elementary, middle, and high school youth.
- ◆ Engaging over 1,400 youth in weekend service-learning and leadership programs.
- ◆ Partnering with more than 400 community leaders, nonprofit agencies, and neighborhood groups to develop sustainable resident-driven service projects.

The services that corps members provide change lives. Countless children have learned to read, adolescents have resisted gangs and everyday citizens have been given the opportunity to be a hero in their communities by serving others.

DURING THE 2007-2008 PROGRAM YEAR CITY YEAR SAN JOSE/SILICON VALLEY CORPS MEMBERS WILL:

- ◆ Provide over 65,000 hours of community service
- ◆ Complete 60 physical service projects benefiting the community
- ◆ Help to increase 94% of student literacy scores by at least one grade level
- ◆ Positively impact the lives of 6,000 youth in Silicon Valley

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

City Year's mission is to build democracy through citizen service, civic leadership, and social entrepreneurship. Each year, City Year unites a diverse corps of young people, ages 17 to 24, for a rigorous year of full-time community service, leadership development, and civic engagement. By tapping the energy, idealism, and commitment of diverse groups of young people, we are able to unleash a tremendous amount of creativity, determination, and compassion to help meet immediate needs of Silicon Valley residents and contribute to long-term solutions to the challenges our community faces.

City Year's service is primarily focused on children and youth with an overall objective to help them become more successful, caring, responsible, and productive members of society. We help youth to develop basic academic skills that will allow them to succeed in school and in life. We also help young people become active and engaged citizens, embracing an ethic of service, an appreciation of diversity and the ability to effectively communicate and interact with others. Lastly, we help youth to develop character traits such as resiliency, discipline, drive, and a passion for excellence.

In addition to working in public school settings, City Year corps members also develop and facilitate middle school and high school service-learning programs. Meeting nearly every Saturday for five months, more than 200 "Young Heroes" and "City Heroes" participants from middle and high schools throughout Silicon Valley and with diverse backgrounds commit to attend workshops, retreats, and service projects aimed at improving their community. The Heroes take a close look at social issues that affect the communities of Santa Clara County and then come together for a signature service day that includes direct community service relating to those issues.

Originally founded in Boston in 1988, City Year served as the model for the creation of AmeriCorps in 1992. City Year became a part of San Jose/Silicon Valley under the leadership of Mayor Susan Hammer in 1994. Since then, over 800 young people have served for a year of full-time community service.



Photo by Megan O'Leary

The 2007-2008 City Year San Jose/Silicon Valley Corps during Opening Day 2007 at San Jose City Hall in downtown San Jose.

The corps performs Physical Training (or PT) on Monday and Friday mornings at 8:30 a.m. in the Plaza de Cesar Chavez in downtown San Jose. Physical training helps prepare our minds and bodies for a powerful day of service to the San Jose community!



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Donate!

City Year is fortunate to have the generous support of AmeriCorps and many corporate, foundation, and civic organizations in our community. Individual giving, corporate sponsorship and foundation support opportunities are available at various giving levels.

Please contact Beach Pace, Executive Director at 408.907.6535 or bpace@cityyear.org to make your gift.



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Provide!

Each year, City Year San Jose/Silicon Valley uses 700 gallons of paint, 900,000 sheets of paper, and 30,000 yards of tape in service projects and after school programs. We also provide hundreds of youth and families healthy snacks and drinks during our programs.

Can you help? Please contact Megan O'Leary, Development Manager, at 408.907.6545 or moleary@cityyear.org to provide supplies, food, or funds for our programs.

Serve!

Each year, thousands of youth and adult volunteers give their time and talent to serve alongside corps members. You can have a meaningful service experience with City Year! Please contact Jo Bender at 408.907.6534 or jbender@cityyear.org to help.

Spread the word!

Young people ages 17-24 have the opportunity to serve in Silicon Valley or one of 16 other sites across the nation teaching children to read, inspiring youth to make positive choices, leading thousands of volunteers in service to others, developing leadership skills and becoming the nation's next generation of leaders.

For more information about serving with City Year, contact Veronica Ruiz at 408.907.6539 or vruiz@cityyear.org.



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City Year San Jose/Silicon Valley 2007-2008 Team Sponsors



The Applied Materials Team:
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Young Heroes Program
City Heroes Program



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The Synopsis Teamlet:
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The San Francisco 49ers Foundation
Teamlet: K.R. Smith Elementary
School

Team Sponsor Program

City Year was founded with a vision of corporate citizenship and is the only youth corps in America to be entirely launched with private sector funds.

The Team Sponsorship program provides a unique opportunity to bring together community partners, corporations and City Year corps members.

To learn more about this exciting and innovative program, please contact Megan O'Leary at 408.907.6545 or moleary@cityyear.org.

City Year's **citizen service vision** is that citizens of all ages and backgrounds will unite to serve their community, nation and world, and that one day the most commonly asked question of an eighteen year-old will be: "**Where are you going to do your service year?**"

City Year's **civic leadership vision** is that one day every citizen will have the skills, values and inspiration to be a **leader for the common good**.

City Year's **social entrepreneurship vision** is that one day human inventiveness and compassion will be unleashed systematically to **solve the pressing social problems of the day**.