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**Mayor's Youth Services  
Proposed Budget 2009-10**

**Direct Service:**

62,000	Mayors Youth Grants
37,500	Juvenile Review Board
35,000	Students Conserving America
30,000	Education through Adventure
30,000	City Kids Adventures
28,000	Stamford Mentoring Partnership
25,000	Stamford Youth Foundation
17,000	Mayors Youth Leadership Council
10,000	Community Special Requests
10,000	Girls Circles & Boys Councils
<u>3,500</u>	Stamford's Focus on Youth Council
288,000	Total

**Mayor's Youth Grants:** Funding for community based programs for youth development and employment. Four organizations were funded this year. Ferguson Library - 27,400, Soundwaters - 17,280, Boys & Girls Club -12,618, Yerwood Center -5,040.

**Juvenile Review Board:** The JRB diverts youth who are first time offenders from the Juvenile Justice system by handling the case in the community. The JRB board meets twice a month to hear cases and includes social workers, police officers, school officials and teens. Funds are used for case management, supplies, tutoring and support services for youth.

**Students Conserving America:** Paid internships for 40 high school students promoting environmental resource preservation and conservation.

**Education through Adventure:** ETA offers youth groups, youth serving organizations and community groups unique adventure experiences intended to promote team work, improved self-esteem and self-confidence, trust and communication. Adventure experiences include challenge course activities, mountain biking, canoeing, rock climbing, hiking/backpacking, and orienteering.

**City Kids Adventures:** A seven week, full day summer program for middle school students between the ages of 10 – 14. Last year 132 students participated in adventure activities, art, culinary arts, computer technology, dance, drama, cheerleading and auto body shop. Twenty five scholarships are provided for qualified (eligible for free & reduced lunch) students. Transportation and lunch are provided for participants.

**Stamford Mentoring Partnership:** STAMP is a site based, one to one mentoring program for the children in the City of Stamford. It is currently in 6 sites (3 schools and 3 community centers). The program matches adult volunteers with a young person in the community. The mission is to provide a mentor to every child in Stamford who wants one.

**Stamford Youth Foundation:** Scholarships for young people (eligible for free & reduced lunch) for sports and other recreational and after school activities.

**Mayors Youth Leadership Council:** MYLC is the largest youth activism organization in Stamford and one of the largest in Fairfield County. Its mission is to promote safe schools and communities, with an emphasis on teen dating violence. Its unique approach to working with teens (public awareness activities, volunteer programs and social change campaigns) makes it a model for replication by other Youth Service Bureaus in the state.

**Community Special Requests:** Throughout the year various needs arise for community organizations and their requests can be met by providing mini grants.

**Girls Circles & Boys Councils:** A collaborative between YSB, Domus, Schools, Child guidance and other community agencies providing structured ten week girls circle & boys council groups that provide a safe, gender specific environment to talk about their social and emotional needs and promote resiliency, confidence and connection for middle school and high school students. Funds are used for curriculum, supplies, facilitators and training.

**Stamford Focus on Youth Council:** A networking and community outreach collaborative developed to improve the quality of after school programs, behavioral and mental health services and juvenile justice services in Stamford. Funds are used to promote collaboration, development and evaluation of programs and services.