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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo**

MEETING DATE: June 2, 2026

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Alison Lehman, County Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Accept the 2025-26 Nevada County Youth Commission's year in review presentation and recommendations

RECOMMENDATION: Accept the presentation.

FUNDING: There is no direct fiscal impact associated with accepting this presentation. Should the Board wish to provide policy direction adopting the recommendations, a future Board Item would include a request for \$10,000 in Public Health Outreach funds be designated in support of the Nevada County Youth Commission's recommendations.

BACKGROUND: On August 8, 2023, the County of Nevada Board of Supervisors (BOS), via Resolution 23-430, approved the creation and establishment of the Nevada County Youth Commission (NCYC). The BOS subsequently approved the inaugural term of NCYC members on December 5, 2023. On June 3, 2025, the BOS approved the 2025-26 Youth Commissioner Roster to represent all five supervisorial districts and the diversity of youth throughout Nevada County.

This presentation is from the NCYC 2025-26 appointed term and includes a report out of subcommittee work and NCYC recommendations by: Chair Graham Gardemeyer, Vice Chair Randy Garcia, Committee Chairs Baelen Carson, Lily Boey, Jacklynn Anderson and members Iratze Aguilar-Solorio, Rylee Rist and Ella Lee.

Accessibility Subcommittee Recommendation

The Accessibility Subcommittee respectfully recommends that the Board of Supervisors take action to improve youth accessibility through expanded digital equity efforts and youth-centered affordable housing planning.

- Digital Equity and Youth Wi-Fi Access
 - Expand the County's mobile Wi-Fi hotspot lending program from approximately 200 devices to a minimum of 225 devices.
 - Establish a dedicated youth allocation of 25–30 hotspots distributed through school districts, libraries, and youth-serving organizations.

- Create a streamlined school-based referral process allowing counselors and educators to connect students directly with available hotspot resources.
- Partner with the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools and local libraries to ensure equitable geographic distribution throughout the county.
- Establish annual reporting and usage tracking to assess community demand and identify future expansion needs.
- Youth-Centered Housing Recommendations
 - Ensure the County's renewed Housing Element includes measurable low-cost and moderate-income housing provisions accessible to youth and young families.
 - Include a dedicated section within the Housing Element addressing youth housing needs, goals, and implementation strategies.
 - Prioritize zoning and policy tools that support accessory dwelling units (ADUs), missing middle housing, and mixed-use developments.
 - Explore state and federal funding opportunities for workforce and young adult housing programs.
 - Evaluate anti-displacement strategies that help young renters and families remain in Nevada County.

Teen Health Subcommittee Recommendation

The Teen Health Subcommittee respectfully recommends the development and implementation of a Health Supply Box pilot program to improve youth access to essential health resources throughout Nevada County.

- Create Health Supply Boxes that provide free access to hygiene products, first aid kits, grooming kits, hydration supplies, and other approved health resources.
- Launch a pilot program in youth-accessible locations, including community-based organizations and one district-approved school site.
- Partner with Nevada County Public Health, schools, student leadership organizations, and local nonprofits to coordinate implementation, outreach, and restocking.
- Collect anonymous usage and feedback data during the pilot phase to evaluate effectiveness and future expansion opportunities.
- Ensure all sites and products are approved by participating organizations and school districts prior to implementation.

Youth Employment Subcommittee Recommendation

The Youth Employment Subcommittee respectfully recommends the development of a centralized online Youth Employment Hub within the Nevada County Youth Commission webpage infrastructure.

- Create a dedicated Youth Employment section within the County's existing Youth Commission webpage.
- Provide youth-focused resources including resume templates, cover letter templates, professional communication examples, interview preparation guidance, and LinkedIn setup support.
- Add a link to the Youth Employment Hub from the County Human Resources employment webpage.

- Support ongoing collaboration between the Youth Commission, County staff, Human Resources, and Public Information Office staff to maintain and update resources.
- Partner with schools, community organizations, and local media to increase awareness and accessibility of employment resources.

Item Initiated by: Jeff Dellis, Project Coordinator and Nevada County Youth Commissioners

Approved by:

Submittal Date: May 15, 2026