

Youth Program at a glance...

...make fun things...



...play games...

...help the community...



...do fun projects...

...make friends...



...learn about culture...

...and much more!



Play.



Learn.

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Grow.

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Youth Program at LAO America



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Children are the future!

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The Youth Program at LAO America is a place where youth can play, learn, and grow.

The Youth Program of the Lao Advancement Organization of America strives to provide a safe environment where kids can learn through engaging activities and develop their skills and knowledge in Lao culture and language. We hope to instill in the youth a drive for educational success and an increased involvement in extracurricular activities that helps them build relationships with the things that they do. On another level, we hope that through their participation in our program they will be indebted to their own community and give back in services and volunteerism. As a result of the activities and curriculum, the kids can gain an overall appreciation of their US and Lao cultural heritage in which they become competent members of a diverse society contributing their own cultural knowledge, skills, and attitudes.



Youth come and learn things about themselves; so far, she holds a hula-hoop record for 22 minutes.

Activities

The activities are centered around a theme and are fun and engaging. There are opportunities for earning rewards, going on field trips, playing sports, receiving homework help, learning about Lao culture, performing at events, doing community service and learning about civic engagement, and much more.

Kids

The kids that come to the program are from the community and range from ages K-12. We break the kids up into groups according to age and are lead by a team of volunteers that do small group activities. Each of the volunteer teams get to know their kids very well and create a good mentoring relationship.

Volunteers

One of the most important aspect of the Youth Program is to have a team of fun and energetic people that love working with kids. Our volunteers bring in a variety of experiences and skills from around the community. Most of our volunteers are college students and individuals who went through the program and are giving back their time. The volunteers are the engines that keep the program going.



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This brochure was created by the youth and volunteers with input from the staff and members of the Board of Directors.

DONATION FORM

The Youth Program of the Lao Advancement Organization of America and its facilities at the Lao Cultural Center need your support. Currently, the program runs on volunteer resources and supplies and through fundraising that the youth take part in such as having a yard sale. **Donations need not be monetary**, because the Youth Program also needs supplies and volunteers to donate their time as well. The services and programs we provide are for the benefit of the entire Lao community. **LAO America is a nonprofit agency 501 (c) (3) so your contributions are tax deductible.**

I would like to help LAO America Youth Program with an in-kind donation (supplies, etc.).

I would like to help LAO America with a tax deductible monetary donation.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contribution Amount: \$ _____

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US CONTINUE TO SUPPORT AND SERVE OUR YOUTH. Please make checks payable to Lao Advancement Organization of America or LAO America.

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