Hello DYD Community!

It's been a busy summer here in the Department of Youth Development. As we look to expand the reach of the County's youth diversion and development programs and services, we are preparing to grow our small, but mighty team. In August, we posted three job openings in the collaboratively designed Youth Development Specialist series and received more than 4,800 applications!

- 2,126 for Youth Development Ambassador
- 1,833 for Youth Development Specialist
- 853 for Youth Development Supervisor

It was really exciting to see so much interest in the work of building a care-first environment for Los Angeles County youth. It's also a mountain of work to review and evaluate thousands of applicants. We are working as quickly as we can to produce a list of the most qualified candidates for each of these positions so that we can start interviewing and getting to know them. Stay tuned!

Meanwhile, we are also looking to hire a permanent director for the department. We want the community's input on what you think are the most important characteristics and qualifications for this job. To add your voice, join representatives from DYD and theCounty's Department of Human Resources at a virtual Town Hall at 2pm on September 22. All community members are welcome and more details are available below, along with other news affecting LA County youth.

Thanks for your support, Vincent Holmes, Interim Director

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