



# Youth Development Network

## June 2024 - December 2025 Brief

Youth Development Networks (YDNs) create local ecosystems for integrated services in spaces where youth want to be. YDNs increase access to emerging and existing youth development services and support thriving families and communities by improving youth wellbeing. For this time period, there are 5 regional YDNs: Antelope Valley, East Los Angeles, Long Beach, San Fernando Valley, and South Los Angeles.

### Section 1. Enrollments & Youth Engagements

As of December 2025, the Youth Development Networks (YDNs) have served 5,407 unique youth since the program launched in June 2024. Participation has grown steadily over time, with 2,333 youth receiving services in 2024 and an additional 3,074 youth engaged for the full year in 2025. On average, each region has served approximately 1,081 youth, though participation levels vary across Los Angeles County. These trends reflect continued expansion of the YDN program and provide important context for understanding how youth are engaging with services across different communities.

Figure 1. Enrollment Trends Over Time Across the Network (n=5,407)

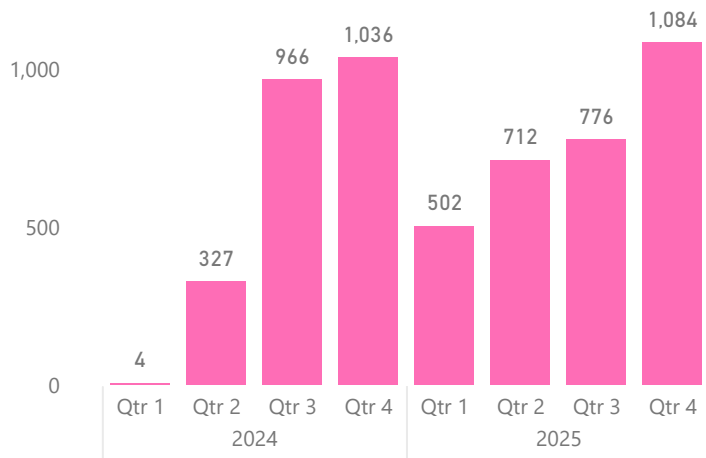
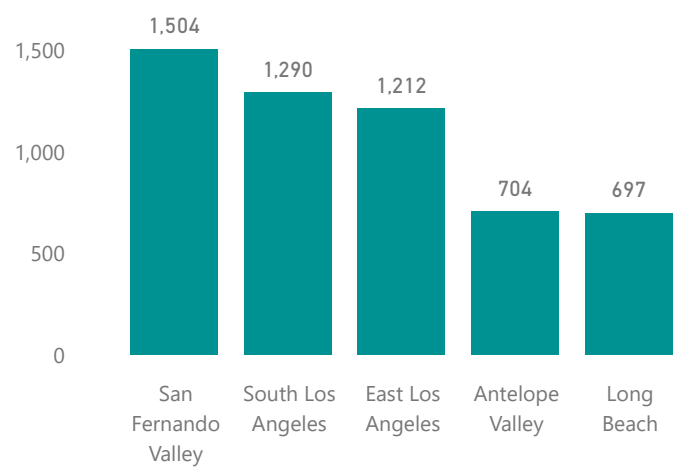


Figure 2. Youth Served by Region (n=5,407)

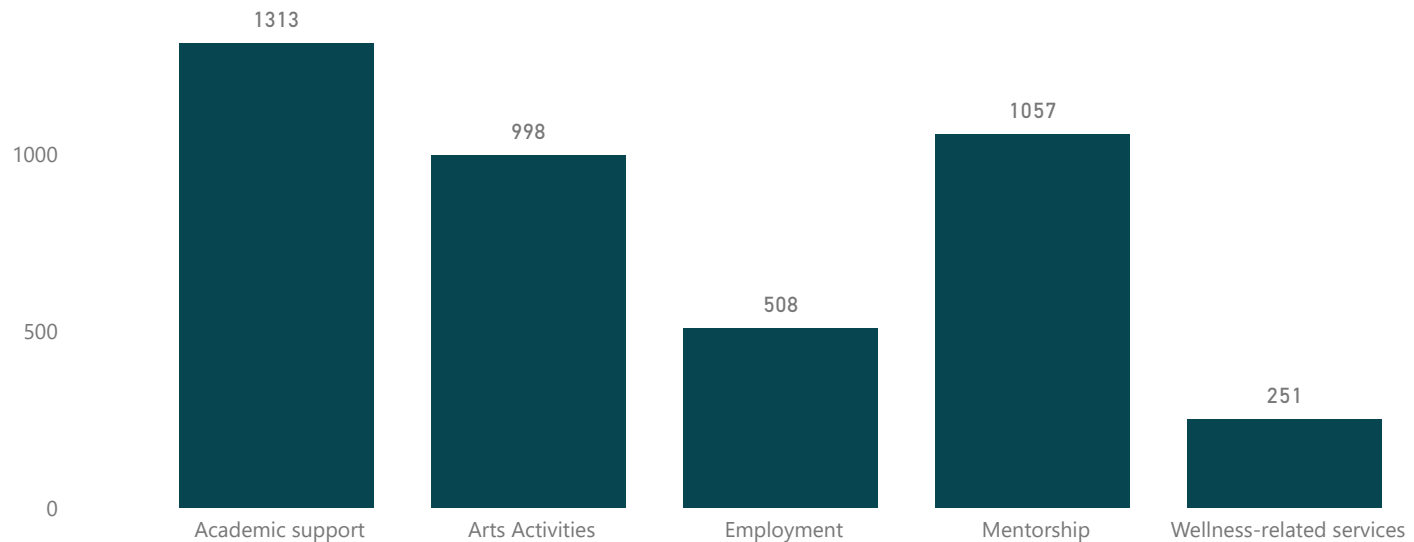


*\*Though the YDN project began at the end of Q2 2024, a handful of youth started services earlier and continued past the project start date.*

### Section 2. Youth Services

Of the participation data indicating what services youth received from their providers (n=2,705), the five most common services received are Academic Support (49%), Mentorship (39%), Arts Activities (37%), Employment (19%), and Wellness-related services (9%).

Figure 3. Top 5 Services Received (n=2,705)



## Section 3. Youth Demographics

The majority of YDN youth are 14-17 years of age (54%) at the time they take an assessment with their regional provider (n=5,362). While most of the youth who reported their racial/ethnic identity (n=3,156) are Hispanic or Latino (53%), the program sees an approximately equal number of Cis-Boys/Young Men (48%) and Cis-Girls/Young Women (50%) (n=3,130).

Figure 4. Age (n=5,362)

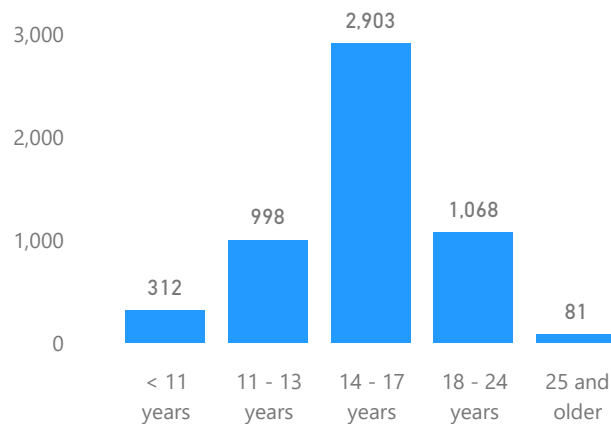


Figure 5. Gender Identity (n=3,130)

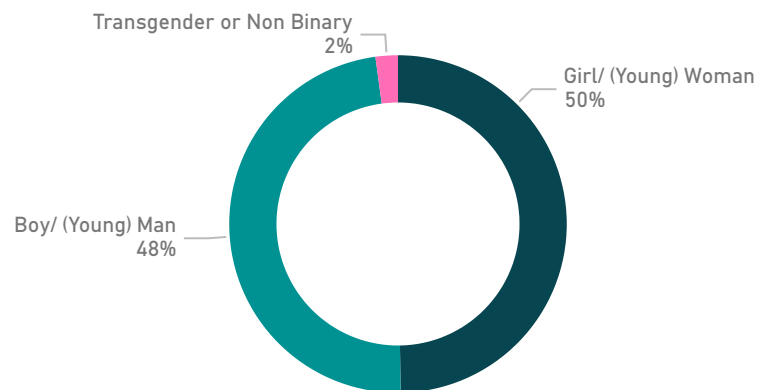
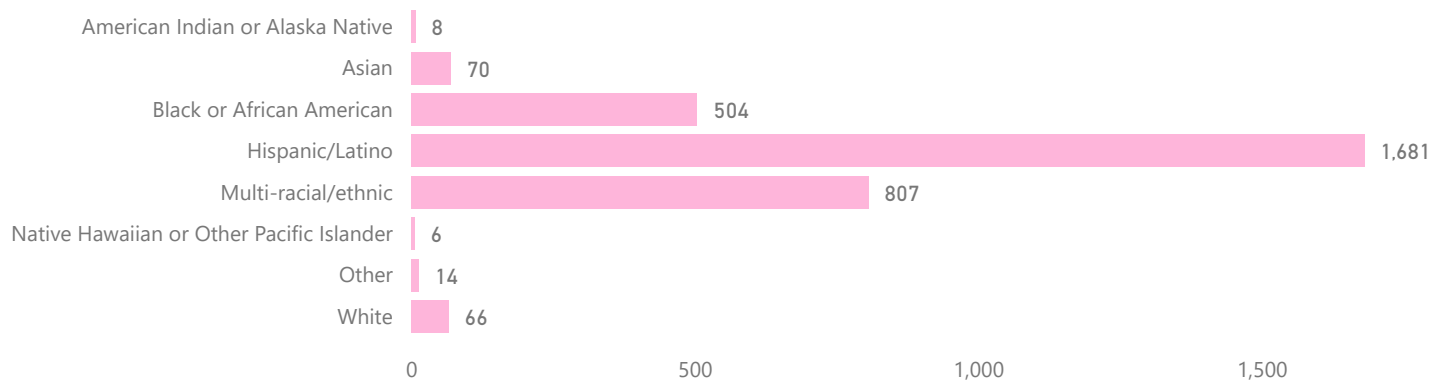


Figure 6. Race/Ethnicity (n=3,156)



## Section 4. Program Impact

Over two thirds of the young people who have shared their feelings about their time engaging with YDN providers (n=1,522) agreed or strongly agreed that they feel satisfied about their experiences (71%). Over half agreed or strongly agreed that they would recommend YDN resources to their friends (65%). In addition, several YDN providers have shared positive narratives about their programming and the youth they're serving:

*"Several students in our program were able to submit CSU applications. A couple were accepted to CSU Northridge and are awaiting acceptance letters from additional universities. Some of the same students completed their FAFSA forms early and are now working on EOP program applications. Another student was able to enroll in Winter sessions at his community college in order to align his degree progress with his goal of earning an AA in two years. With our help, that same student was able to find a part-time employment and obtain the essential work clothes/uniform."*

**71%**  
Satisfied with YDNs

-Barrio Action Youth , East Los Angeles YDN Provider

**65%**  
Recommend YDNs

*"We were excited to obtain a room for workshops and private counseling for our youth. Moving into the Youth and Family Service Hub in Long Beach has allowed us to offer more services and resources to benefit local youth. One young individual learning to live alone didn't manage money well. After taking a few of our Financial Literacy courses, she now views money and her future more positively. She has matured in her views and behaviors, becoming more intentional and aware about saving, spending, and investing."*

-Do Good Daniels Foundation, Long Beach YDN Provider