Pathway to College Scholarship Program

The *Something for Everyone* event was created as a special fundraiser to celebrate and award our college bound students. The event provides us with essential funding so that we can help our growing list of college bound applicants. It also allows us to take selected candidates on college tours to campuses nationwide.

Annually, the Pathway to College Program awards more than 30 deserving students with scholarships to colleges and universities. Since its inception, we have awarded more than $100,000 in scholarships.

About EOYDC......

Founded in 1973, the East Oakland Youth Development Center (EOYDC) is a community-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit agency dedicated to developing our children and youth into healthy, self-supporting and aware citizens and adults. Since 1978 the Center's FREE comprehensive programs have been coordinated to meet our clients' emotional, physical, intellectual, and economic needs. The Center is open Monday through Friday and is located in the Elmhurst District of East Oakland. While our primary focus is the residents of the East Oakland community, all youth and their families are welcome to participate in the services offered at the EOYDC. We offer programs in the following areas:

Art
Photography
Ceramics
Painting
Dance Class
Music Class

Project J.O.Y. (Job Opportunities for Youth)
Job Training
G.E.D. Prep Class
Homework Center
Pathway-to-College Program
Summer Cultural Enrichment Program

Physical Development
Track
10 & Under Basketball League
Black College League
Invitational Tournaments
Adult Fitness
Rowing
Karate Class
Mountaineering Courses

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The Pathway to College Program was created to make applying to college easier. Informational workshops and assessments focus on:

- Admission requirements
- Academic counseling
- Personal statement preparation
- Financial aid, scholarship search
- College transfer information
- Calendar of important dates/deadlines

EOYDC’s goal is to help students feel supported and help build a framework for their future. We provide resources such as college catalogs, applications, SAT and ACT test preparation, financial aid, and schedules for specific colleges. We offer academic counseling, informational workshops, personal statement review, youth leadership, scholarship search, financial aid assistance and internship placement.

Resources

College Fairs
The Pathway to College Program takes participants to college fair events annually. These fairs provide participants with a face to face opportunity to network and receive information from representatives of various post-secondary institutions.

College Tours
College tours allow students to visit campuses, classes, and meet with faculty and students at various colleges and universities. Below are pictures of college tours visiting Howard, Columbia and George Washington Universities.

College Presentations/ Workshops
The Pathway to College Program frequently brings in representatives from various colleges and universities to present to our students. Participants learn more about specific institutions of higher learning and are able to ask questions about the admissions process.