

Youth Make a Difference!!!



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UCLA-LOSH:

The UCLA Labor Occupational Safety and Health (LOSH) Program is a nationally recognized center in Southern California for Spanish and English worker training, educational materials development, technical assistance, and policy information in the area of workplace health and safety.

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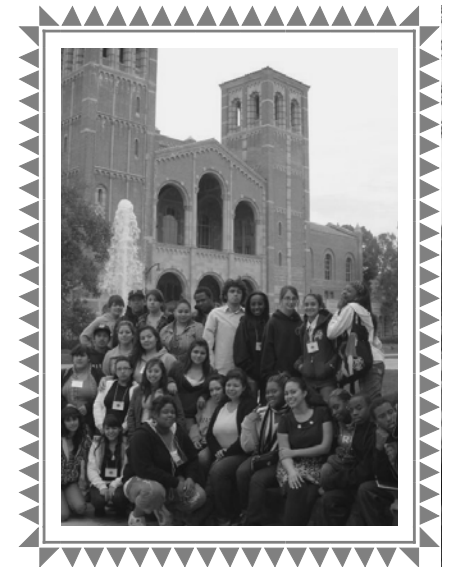


Young Workers Project

Got Work?

Safety starts with "S" but begins with

- ◆ In 2007, an estimated 6,290 youth under 18 reported workplace injury or illnesses that required at least one day away from work.
- ◆ Teens get hurt at twice the rate of adults.
- ◆ Every 6 minutes a youth is injured at work.



What is the Young Worker Project?



The Young Worker Project focuses on workplace issues that youth face. These issues include knowledge of their rights, identifying hazards in the workplace, and how to prevent work injuries.

The goal is to build young people's workplace health and safety awareness, responsibility, and skills for making a difference in their lives and their communities.

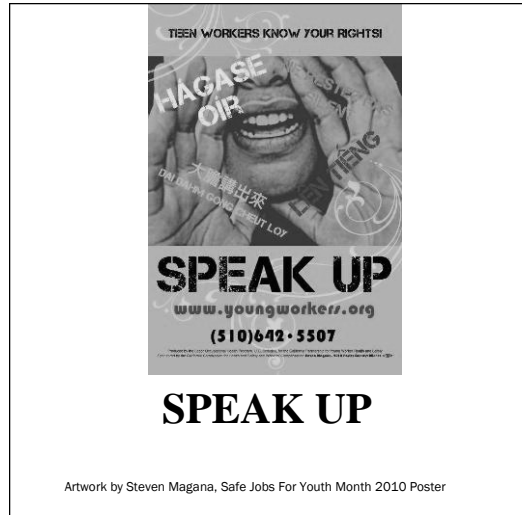
The main component of the Young Worker Project is the YWLA, a three-day conference for teams of teens and their adult sponsors. Teens learn about work place health and safety; are introduced to education, policy, and media strategies; and begin planning a school or community outreach project.



2004 Youth In Power Club
from Manual Arts High School

SAFE JOBS FOR YOUTH MONTH

(MAY)



California's Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger has proclaimed May as "Safe Jobs for Youth Month". This annual public awareness campaign highlights the importance of preventing teen injuries on the job. The objective is to protect young workers from injury by raising community awareness about child labor and workplace health and safety issues. It is supported by the [California Partnership for Young Worker Health and Safety](#), a statewide working group representing government agencies, educators, parents, employers, job trainers, labor unions and others. Everyone is encouraged to help bring attention to this issue in their own communities.

Poster & PSA annual contest

Each year youth who are 18 or under, get to display their artistic talent in the annual poster and public service announcement competition. Teens are asked to creatively express the theme of workers' safety in poster or a 30 second video clip. Winners are selected and rewarded with a cash prize. For more information go to:

www.youngworkers.org or call (888) 933-TEEN



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Resources

Curricula: (Standards-based, interactive, and free download on LOSH web-site.)

- ◆ Safe Jobs for Youth
- ◆ Peer Education
- ◆ Child Labor -- Then and Now



Videos:

- ◆ Healthy Communities, Healthy Jobs: A Curriculum for Youth Empowerment
- ◆ Your Work: Keepin' It Safe

Posters:

- ◆ Got Work?

NEW

- ◆ YWLA GUIDE –A do it yourself Young Worker Leadership Academy guide for schools, organizations, etc.

Youth Leadership Opportunities

- ◆ **Young Worker Leadership Academies:** youth teams from California apply to participate in a three-day interactive academy at UCLA or UC Berkeley and create school and community projects around young worker health and safety issues. For more information please visit www.losh.ucla.edu/youngworkers

