## Year End Presentation from Mayor's Advisory Council on Youth (M.A.C.O.Y.) -

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# MACOY

#### Who are we?

- Mayor's Advisory Council on Youth
- Advocate for Youth voice
- Representing schools in our region
- Discuss issues concerning the youth
- Introducing youth to municipal democracy/political world

#### What we do?

- Monthly meetings
- Attend Council meetings
- Special guests
- Invited to events to provide and or receive insight
- Volunteer around the community





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# Volunteering

# How did we help out our community?

- Adopt a Trail program
- Starry Night & Santa Parade
- Junior Boo
- Festival of Trees
- Soup Kitchen

#### What we learned?

- Builds relationships
- Provides important service
- Helps us practice and develops new skills
- Positive impact of how youth can help
- Value of a youth perspective

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#### Junior Boo



Adopt a Trail program

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<u>Festival of</u> <u>Trees</u>

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### **Events**

#### Where did we attend?

- Momentum 2023
- Convergence YMM 2023 & 2024
- BIPOC Student Union
- Cost of Living Brunch & Learn

#### What we learned?

- Importance of Networking
- Importance of Youth Voice
- Ability to access a variety of opportunities in our region
- Diverse contributions





### <u>Momentum</u>



### **Anti-Racism Engagement**

#### What is this project?

- In alignment with council's strategic plan MACOY focused their work in the area of Anti-Racism.
- Collaborate with Municipal Departments
- Gain Youth participation

#### The work we did

- Brainstorming/Creating a list of priorities
- Developed an engagement plan
- Survey development and promotion
- Scheduled in-person engagement sessions at 3 high schools
- Finalizing a report with administration

### Results

Mural work

compassion kindness harmony happy along humility inclusiveness helps accceptance liberty accepting listening unbiased colorful value minded inclusive diverse amazing home belong equal loving supportive kindess sanctuary knowledge approved awesome nationality equity caring appreciated inclusivity community kind unity selflessness beauty welcome reconciliation open family seen good understanding utopian ownership learning welcoming everyone belonging appreciative friends freedom hugs just accountable bright respect immaculate equality love flawless peaceful getting e safe fairness loved amiable mixed celebrating educated democracy accepted niceness colourblind different education



#### Holy Trinity Engagement





<u>Westwood</u> Engagement



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## Conclusion

#### Why is Macoy so great?

- Help make a difference in our community
- Build connections with different community members and organizations
- Better understanding of Municipal government and decision making processes





# Thank You

