

Essential Protections: Reaching Young Workers During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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California Partnership for Young Worker Health and Safety

- ▶ Sponsored and convened by the Commission on Health and Safety and Workers' Compensation (CHSWC) since 1997
- ▶ Coordinated by UC Berkeley's LOHP
- ▶ To identify strategies to:
 - ▶ Reduce work-related injury and illness
 - ▶ Foster safety and health skills for active participation
 - ▶ Promote positive, healthy employment opportunities




The Partnership promotes:

- ▶ Safe, well-supported job opportunities
- ▶ Employer compliance with the law
- ▶ Training and education
- ▶ Broad community awareness of workplace protections

Teens are Essential Workers

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TEENVOGUE

Politics

Teens Are Working As Essential Workers While Going to High School

"My family needed a source of income."

BY ELIZABETH KING
MAY 26, 2020

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

For some California teens, school closures led to work in the fields

BY ELIZABETH AGUILERA · JUNE 22, 2020
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The Young Worker Leadership Academy

The Young Worker Leadership Academy is a:

- 3-day leadership training for teens on workplace safety, rights, and responsibilities
- YWLA introduces participants to service strategies (policy, education, media)
- YWLA is a forum for youth to plan service learning projects for their schools and communities to promote positive, safe employment for young workers



YWLA Student Voices



Virtual YWLA 2021

- Will look different, but mission stays the same!
- Virtual academy (March 4-6, 2021)
- Highly interactive
- Workplace health and safety
- Positive change in communities

Join us virtually for the...

2021 YOUNG WORKER LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Presented by UC Berkeley, UCLA, and the California Commission on Health and Safety & Workers' Compensation

MARCH 4-6, 2021

WHAT IS IT?

- A fun, activity-packed virtual leadership training for California youth (ages 14-18) on job health and safety.
- A chance to work with your team (4 youth and 1 adult adviser) during and after the YWLA to create a community project to promote safe jobs for youth in May 2021!
- A \$50 cash stipend for youth in full 15-hour virtual academy and an additional \$75 stipend after completing the community project.
- An opportunity to be part of a statewide youth network on young worker rights, health and safety!

WHY WOULD I WANT TO DO THIS?

- I want to build leadership skills
- I care about issues affecting people my age at work
- I want to impact my community
- I want to meet new people!

HOW DO I APPLY?

- Form a team of 4 youth (age 14-18) with an adult adviser
- Download an application at www.youngworkers.org/ywla
- Complete the application with your team and adult sponsor by **December 4, 2020**

Contact Elisha Jaake (elisha.jaake@berkeley.edu) with any questions!

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Young Worker Rights Kahoot

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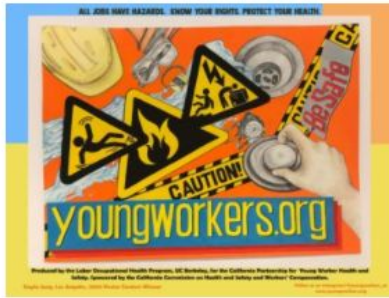
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Young Worker COVID-19 Escape Room



2020 Poster Contest Winners



1st Place: Kayla Jang
Los Angeles, CA




2nd Place: Seoyeon Choi
Cupertino, CA



3rd Place: Allison Hu
Pleasanton, CA

What can you do?

- Promote training in your local schools or youth employment programs
- Help conduct training
- Community Awareness:
Safe Jobs for Youth Month



Thank you!
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