

District of West Vancouver
POLICY

Title: Youth

Division: Parks, Culture, and Community Services

Policy Number: 0232

File Number: 0282-20-0232

1. Purpose

- 1.1. To create relationships and opportunities that enable the development of youth to be healthy, engaged, and valued members of the community.

2. Scope

- 2.1. This policy applies to all District programs, services, projects, and initiatives related to youth.

3. Definitions

- 3.1. “**Council**” means the Council of The Corporation of the District of West Vancouver.
- 3.2. “**District**” means The Corporation of the District of West Vancouver.
- 3.3. “**Youth**” means persons in West Vancouver ages 10 to 18.

4. Policy Statement

- 4.1. The District endorses the concept of interagency coordination of programs and services for youth.
- 4.2. The District holds that youth should have the right to full and due consideration and that youth should be provided with opportunities to develop competencies, confidence, character, connection, sense of belonging, and contribution.
- 4.3. The District is committed to ensuring that the provision of programs and services meets the best interests of youth and promotes positive youth development.
- 4.4. The District will maintain a Youth Services Department within the Parks, Culture, and Community Services Division which has the mandate:
 - a) to develop and maintain a service that facilitates the provision of community-based youth programs and services focusing on youth engagement and positive development;
 - b) to encourage youth participation and advocacy, especially related to District projects and initiatives that relate to youth; and
 - c) to maintain a comprehensive directory of youth services.

5. Related Documents

- 5.1. Civic Youth Strategy; and
- 5.2. Blueprint for Social Responsibility and Change.

6. Approval

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7. Additional Information

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