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Youth Enrichment Services (YES) June/July 2016 Newsletter

Upcoming Events & Announcements

- **Tuesday, July 5 - Outdoor Adventure program begins!** It's not too late to sign up your child. The following programs still have openings. Click on the links below for more information and to register online.

[Skateboarding for Good](#) *Grades 7-9*

[Girls Outdoor Adventure Leaders](#) (Session 1 ONLY) *Ages 11-13*

[Junior Volunteers](#) *Ages 13-18*

- **Monday, August 8 - Summer Career Exploration Day!** YES teens will be spending the afternoon visiting workplaces and learning about career paths. If your office would like to host 1- 3 YES teens from 12 - 3 pm, please email [Allison Zacarias](#) for more information.
- **Thursday, August 18 - 3rd Annual Martin Richard Memorial One Mile Invitational.** Registration will begin on Friday, July 8. Open to youth, families, and individuals with disabilities. All proceeds will benefit YES and the Martin Richard Charitable Foundation.

Opening the Doors to College

The Richard Williams Memorial Scholarship was established in memory of YES founder, Richard Williams. The scholarship is now in its tenth year and has benefited 28 youth over the past decade. Richard believed deeply in the transformational power of education.

The 2016 Richard Williams Memorial Scholarship was awarded on June 13 to four outstanding YES teens; Harry Dam, Nuha Futa, Zoe Petty, and Wendy Zhuo. These four students were selected based on their commitment to YES, dedication to giving back to their community, financial need, and academic merit. The scholarship will help the teens to pursue their dreams of going to college.



2016 scholarship recipients Harry, Nuha, and Zoe.

(Not pictured: Wendy)

[READ](#) more about YES's 2016 scholarship recipients

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Massachusetts Promise Fellowship Honors YES

YES is pleased to announce that the organization was recently selected as a [Massachusetts Promise Fellowship \(MPF\)](#) Spotlight Partner at MPF's 4th Annual Celebration on May 18.

Since 2013, YES has been a host site for the Mass Promise Fellowship, an AmeriCorps program which places fellows at youth-serving organizations. Fellows build organizational capacity during their 12 months of service while gaining valuable workplace skills. At YES, Mass Promise Fellows have helped establish the College Prep program and build capacity within the Career Exploration programs.

[READ](#) more about the Mass Promise Fellowship Program >>



YES staff pictured with Mass Promise Fellowship Director, Colleen Holohan.

YES Track and Field Launches New Site for Summer

The YES Track and Field/Cross County Program was started in 2009. The program gives hundreds of Boston families the opportunity to engage in dynamic and healthy activities during the fall, spring, and summer seasons. The program is offered free-of-charge.

This summer, in addition to offering programming at Moakley Park in South Boston, the YES Track and Field/Cross Country Program is launching a second site at Boston English High School to expand its reach to the Roxbury, Hyde Park, and Jamaica Plain neighborhoods.

The new site opened on June 14 and meets weekly on Tuesday nights from 6-7:30 p.m. It is open to youth ages 4-7 years old.



A youth leaps over the hurdles during Track & Field Program practice at English High School.

YES's fiscal year ends on June 30th. Make your year-end gift to support YES and get our youth ready for summer!

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Thank You for Making the 5th Annual YES Harbor Cruise a Success

Over 200 guests joined YES aboard the *Provincetown II* for the 5th Annual YES Harbor Cruise on Thursday, June 2. Thank you to the many volunteers, partners, and supporters who attended.

During the event, Natalie Aiken, Shannon Burke, Brian Keaney, Aaron Murphy, and Ken Schroeder were honored for their volunteer service this year.

A special thank you to [Bay State Cruise Company](#); event photographers, Dustin Cross and Beth Bouchard; and DJ Mike Paganelli.

The 5th Annual Harbor Cruise is part of a series of fundraising events planned by YES's Young Professionals Committee. The committee has raised more than \$10,000 for YES youth this fiscal year.

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Guests enjoyed the views from the top deck of the *Provincetown II*.



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