



#### Who We Are

We are the Youth Service Unit (YSU) of the MVPD. In our unit we have 3 School Resource Officers, a coordinator, and a Sergeant. We work with all 16 schools in Mountain View and work directly with the youth in our community.



#### **WhatYSU** Does

- We work directly with elementary, middle, and high schools
- We teach, mentor, and counsel our youth
- We address safety concerns within our schools

- We make connections
  with families and other
  services offered in Mountain
  View, we also serve as
  community and parent
  liaisons to the police
  department
- We address criminal activity within our schools
- We run community outreach programs that benefit our youth

### **Programs YSU Run**

**Dreams and Futures** 

**Cops that Care** 

Shop with an Officer

Movie Night

**Explorer Program** 

**PAL Mentoring** 

**PAL Boxing** 

**PAL Net Games** 

**Home Visits** 



# Dreams & Futures Prevention Program

Dreams & Futures began in 1996, started as a gang prevention program

- (2) two week summer sessions per group
- Approximately 50-55 kids in each session
- 3. Kids are referred by school staff, police staff, and community groups



We Focus on

Academics
Social Skills
Decision-making skills
Gang Awareness
Sports Camp
Field Trips
Internet Safety
Team Building
Breakfast & lunch

### **Dreams & Futures**

Our goal is to build confidence and self-esteem in the kids that we serve.

Through positive support and reinforcement, these students will be able to make positive peer choices and disassociate themselves from negative activity or gang involvement.







#### Started in 2002 by SRO Ron Cooper

By building relationships with school staff and students, we are able to identify the students and families in need

Currently, we are serving over 2,000 kids each year

Because we build relationships with local businesses and community groups, we are able to successfully hold our event each year

Cops That Care helps build trust and relationships with our youth and their families

## Cops That Care Community Engagement Program











### MV PAL Mentoring Program

Prevention / Intervention Program



Currently, serving 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders at Castro School and Monta Loma School

A whole school year program

Social Skills

Decision-Making Skills

Team Building Skills

**Sports Activities** 

**Arts And Craft Activities** 

Field Trips

### **MV PAL Mentoring Program**











### **MV PAL Boxing**

Started in 2008

Serving all Middle School and High School students

**Education in Physical Fitness and Nutrition** 

**Team Building Skills** 

Strategy Skills

Building Character through accomplishments as well as failures

How to become respectful and humble to others and ir the community



### TEAM BUILDING, PHYSICAL FITNESS, DISCIPLINE



### MVPD Explorer Program

While receiving training in law enforcement procedures, community policing, teamwork, and leadership, the Mountain View Police Explorers volunteer alongside police officers and other police professionals to assist the department in its mission.

Qualifications: You must be between the ages of 14 and 21 You must be a Mountain View resident or enrolled in a Mountain View High School.

Duties Performed Include: Traffic control, security, and community outreach at events, and parades. Classroom and practical trainings in law enforcement and criminal justice related topics. Ride-a-longs, Field trips, and Explorer conferences and camps. Assisting with youth programs sponsored by the Youth Services Unit and Mountain View Police Activities League. Assisting in lost person searches. Assisting the department with administrative tasks such as filing, records processing, and computer data entry.

### **MVPD Explorer Program**











### YSU HOME VISITS

Home visits have always been an integral part of the services we provide to our students. It gives us a chance to see our students outside of school and to meet and get to know their parents.

Covid 19 has eliminated seeing our students on the campus this year. Home visits allow us to see and keep in contact with many of our students involved in Mentoring, Dreams and Futures, and Cops that Care programs.





### **YSU Home Visits**













### **Youth Services Unit**

Why do we love what we do?

Making a positive influence in each student and their families
Building and Maintaining relationships
Helping kids learn to overcome adversity
Teaching kids the importance of positive outlooks in life
Watching the students succeed as they grow older

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