



## **Program Guide 2017-2018**

Main Offices and Childcare located at: Keefe Community Center 11 Pine Street Hamden, CT 06514 (203) 777-2610

*Our mission is to create and foster opportunities for all Hamden youth and their families to learn and grow in positive ways.*

Dear Hamden Families,

The Hamden Youth Services Bureau is committed to ensuring accessible, meaningful and relevant programming for all of Hamden's youth and their families. To that end, we are always open to new ideas and collaborations. Please feel free to contact me anytime to discuss your thoughts. Working together, we can create a system of youth services to ensure that all of our young people have a great start in life!

Thank you,

*Susan*

Susan Rubino  
Coordinator, HYSB

### **School Age Child Care Program**

(K – 6) M - F 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. School vacations: 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

OEC State of CT DPH licensed program.

Field trips, enrichment activities, Girl Scouts, CT STEM Academy,

Experience Corps tutoring, homework help, music, arts and crafts.

Transportation from area schools & healthy snacks offered daily. Sliding Fee Scale. Hamden residents only.

### **Volunteer and Community Service Program**

(Ages 12-adult) Year Round

Placements vary according to needs in the community and interests of the volunteer. Hamden residents only or must volunteer in the town of Hamden.

### **Summer Youth Employment**

(Ages 14-21) 4-7 Weeks in Summer

Approximately 15-25 hours per week. Economically disadvantaged youth or youth that receive special education services are eligible for summer jobs in municipal, non-profit and for-profit entities in Hamden. Slots are limited according to available funding. Youth earn minimum wage. Hamden residents only.

### **Project 365 *Clean, Safe and Beautiful Neighborhoods***

(All ages) Year Round

An extension of National Night Out & our Volunteer Program. Youth & adult volunteers from the community work with HYSB, the Hamden Police Department and various town departments and commissions to target various parts of town in need.

<https://www.facebook.com/HamdenYouthServices-HYSB>





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## Additional Programs and Events

Health, Wellness and Safety events and programs, Gender based programs, Positive Choices Billboard Design Contest, Substance Abuse Prevention, Kids' Booth at Hamden Farmers' Markets & other community events.

➤Hamden's *National Night Out* is an event held at Villano Park on the first Tuesday in August that aims to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness for kids and their families in our community. It is supported by the Hamden Police Department and hosts many community organizations, raffles, a free cook-out and live performances!

➤*Little Free Library* - Take a book, Leave a book! Our Little Free Library showcases the community's generosity and love of books.

➤*SoHa Kid Fest* is a kid-friendly Spring Festival located at the Keefe Community Center in April that engages the youth in a variety of free Spring-time themed activities!

➤*Let's Move, Hamden!* This fun family event in February builds upon enhancing healthy practices through education on proper nutrition and physical activity!

## Resource Library and Referrals

(All ages) Year Round

Drug and alcohol prevention, parent education, violence prevention and more. Available year round.

## School Supplies Closet

(Preschool – College) Year Round

Free for Hamden youth in need.

## Collaboratives/Committees/Advisory Boards

- Hamden's Partnership for Young Children
- CT Youth Services Association
- South Central CT Regional Action Council
- Hamden Youth Network
- Hamden/North Haven Collaborative
- Mom's Clinic Advisory Board
- Youth Engagement Team Initiative
- Hamden Juvenile Review Board Advisory Committee
- Hamden/North Haven Collaborative
- Planning for Children and Youth Committee
- CT Association of Prevention Practitioners
- LIST

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