



## 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*

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## HYSB 2017-2018

### **Afterschool Program**

(K – 6) M - F 3:00 p.m. - 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, Boy Scouts, CT STEM Academy, Experience Corps literacy tutoring, homework help, music, arts and crafts. Lights on After School! Transportation from area schools & healthy snacks offered daily.

Sliding Fee Scale.

Hamden residents only.

### **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.

### **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.

### **Project 365**

(All ages) Year Round

Clean, Safe and Beautiful Neighborhoods

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.

### **Additional Programs and Events**

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

## HYSB 2017-2018

➤ *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 the our community. It is supported by the Hamden Police Department and hosts many community organizations, raffles, a free cook-out and live performances!

➤ *SoHa Kid Fest* is a kid-friendly experience located at the Keefe Community Center during April school vacation that engages the youth in a variety of free activities such as a K-9 Demo with Hamden Police Department, activities with Ranger Vinny, and many more!

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

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

### Resource Library and Referrals

(All ages) Year Round

Drug and alcohol prevention, parent education, violence prevention and more.

### School Supplies Closet

(Preschool – College) Year Round

Free for Hamden youth in need.

### Collaboratives/Committees/Advisory Boards

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

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