

CCISCO YOUTH ORGANIZING

CCISCO stands for Contra Costa Interfaith Supporting Community Organization. Our youth organizing project empowers youth by giving them the necessary tools to create positive change in their communities.

Over the past seven years youth all over the county have been working to improve education, jobs, health care, and recreational opportunities in hopes of making Contra Costa County a "Youth Friendly County."

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CCISCO YOUTH ORGANIZING IS A DIVISION
OF THE CONTRA COSTA INTERFAITH
SUPPORTING COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION



We are a multi-ethnic, multi-generational, interfaith federation of 25 congregations and youth organizations representing over 35,000 families across the county, most of whom are low and moderate income. CCISCO helps everyday people win extraordinary victories by providing a vehicle for them to speak, act and engage in public arenas. We believe in the power of relationships and that by acting together on our common values, we can imagine and create a new world.

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What We Do



CCISCO Local Organizing Committees (LOCs) work in groups of 10-15 youth from your city to:

- Choose an issue
- Conduct research
- Host a big community meeting with key decision makers who agree to resolve your concern
- Talk to newspapers, TV and radio stations
- Attend field trips
- Attend Leadership retreats

In the past, CCISCO Youth Organizing has won victories across Contra Costa County and has created afterschool programs, youth centers, job opportunities and a better quality of education.

What Are The Benefits?



To be part of a CCISCO Local Organizing Committee is to be part of a network of youth who work toward solutions. The benefits of joining CCISCO include:

- Meeting new youth in your city and Contra Costa County
- Developing your leadership skills
- Expressing your concerns and being heard
- Meeting and talking to your public officials
- The ability to be a spokesperson to the media
- Fulfill community service hours for school graduation requirements
- Build your resume for College and employment
- Build relationships with community organizations and public officials
- Having fun and hanging out with other like-minded youth
- Attend field trips

Who Should Join?

Any youth from middle school to college (12 to 21) years of age who is willing to learn and develop themselves into leaders.



CCISCO Empowers Youth!

Current LOCs

**Baypoint, Brentwood,
Concord, Lafayette, Oakley,
Orinda and Richmond**