

Opened in 2000 with the vision and leadership of Dr. Heather Berberet, Richard Burhene, Scott Gross, and Jim Zians, The Hillcrest Youth Center is the only youth center in San Diego County dedicated to serving the needs of LGBT and questioning youth. The Youth Center offers cyber/computer access, health education, basic financial education, youth leadership training, case management, HIV prevention education, life skills training workshops, discussion groups, counseling services, and amazing social activities. It's an impressive list of programs and services and we are extremely proud of what we offer. But the heart of what the Hillcrest Youth Center offers is much larger than our excellent programs. The Hillcrest Youth Center is committed to providing a safe, affirming space for LGBTQ+ youth to be proud of who they are and the encouragement they need to become responsible, productive, and fully participating citizens.



The Hillcrest Youth Center



**The Center**

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Mailing: PO Box 3357, San Diego, CA 92163  
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**Health Services**

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**Hillcrest Youth Center**

Phone: 619/497-2920 Fax: 619/497-2924  
Hours of Operation:  
Tuesday through Thursday: 5pm-9pm  
Friday: 5pm-10pm, Saturday: 4pm-10pm  
Sunday and Monday: Closed

**Youth Housing Project**

1640 Broadway, San Diego, CA 92101  
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[www.thecentersd.org](http://www.thecentersd.org)  
[www.youthcentersd.org](http://www.youthcentersd.org)

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our mission

**The Hillcrest Youth Center**

The Center's mission is to enhance and sustain the health and well-being of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) and HIV communities by providing activities, programs and services that

- Create community
- Empower community members
- Provide essential resources
- Advocate for civil and human rights
- Embrace, promote and support our cultural diversity



## PRIMARY GOALS

In order to develop into successful and fully participating citizens, our youth need a safe, welcoming and affirming space where they can be themselves and access the resources they need. The Hillcrest Youth Center is the only drop-in and recreational center in San Diego County dedicated to the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, questioning and HIV+ (LGBTQ+) youth.



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The scientific data on LGBTQ+youth continue to find that these youth are at higher risk for suicide, drug and alcohol abuse, hate crimes, smoking, early high-school drop out, homelessness, sexual assault, HIV infection, depression, and a variety of other negative health consequences.

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

Supported by a team of over 50 volunteers and staff, HYC offers an amazing array of programs, including the following:

- Educational support
- Employment readiness
- Financial education & skills
- Health education
- Civic Education
- Leadership Training
- Discussion and support groups
- Social events
- Arts and culture activities
- Information and referral
- Case management
- Internet access and computer classes

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Caring, committed adult involvement is a core component of Youth Services at The Center. Those interested willingly participate in an intensive screening and training process designed to ensure the highest quality volunteer presence at the youth center.

**If you would like more information on becoming a volunteer, please call 619-692-2077 x111 or visit our website at [www.thecentersd.org](http://www.thecentersd.org).**

## POPULATIONS SERVED

The Hillcrest Youth Center hosts approximately 600 visits from youth each month. They are between the ages of 14 - 21, 40% young women, 60% young men. They are 80% youth of color: Latino, African-American, Asian and Pacific Islanders, Native American; and, 20% Anglo-American. They are youth from all over the county representing almost every zip code. Some come from our most affluent homes, some are homeless. More than 70% are low-income and underserved.

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our youth

## Sign Me Up For CENTER MEMBERSHIP

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (\$35)

## I pledge to support our youth!

MONTHLY GIFT       ONE TIME GIFT

\$5 per month      (\$60 annually)

\$10 per month      (\$120 annually)

\$20 per month      (\$240 annually)

\$25 per month      (\$300 annually)

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Cash

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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The Center, P.O. Box 3357, San Diego, CA, 92163  
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