Voting Project

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Youth Engagement in Voting

Youth Voters Education & Involvement

Pre-registration to vote at 16:

Rock the Vote

Civics Center

How to Understand Local Voting

California Student Mock Election

- Middle school and high school students are educated on issues, propositions, candidates, and their state government. They vote on these elements and the data from the students and schools are compiled together.
- Students gain experience in politics, the voting process, and learning about their community, government, and country.

Be a Poll Worker

- High school students help on election day assisting voters
- On the day of voting, they open and close a voting place, help voters understand their voting rights, and they protect ballots and voting equipment.
- High school students get paid for their service

Program

YMCA Youth & Government

- Middle School and High School students learn about their nation's and state's issues, the world of government, and engage with other students by debating, writing proposals, and running for positions
- Goal is to nurture the next generation of civically engaged Californians so that they recognize the importance of:
 - Civic Knowledge: They understand the structure, function, and procedures of the California Legislature, including bill development.

- **Civic Awareness:** They can identify the major issues facing their communities.
- Civic Action: They are equipped with the tools they'll need to make change in their community and can identify the importance of mutual respect, personal responsibility, and active listening in group settings.

Resource Videos from ca.gov

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Stickers & buttons

- Logo pins and stickers, small and large sizes
- "I voted at ICA LA pins and stickers

ICA LA Activities for the Youth

- Hosting art workshops targeted towards youth
- Inviting artists to speak to the youth on social issues in their communities.
- Workshop: discussion & activity