



## **Youth Advisory Council Agenda February 29, 2024**

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**Chair Emma Cedeno-Alonso**

**City Manager Mike DaRoza**

Vice Chair Abigail Blumer

Member Robert Hu

Member Selina Liu

Member Keyosha Queen

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### **Youth Advisory Council At 6:00 PM**

**Meeting Date:** February 29, 2024

**Meeting Location:** James A. Lewis City Commission Chambers

15100 NW 142 Ter.

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## **YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **INVOCATION**

### **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

#### **I. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Restoring Dignity - Wellness Packet Project

#### **II. NEW BUSINESS**

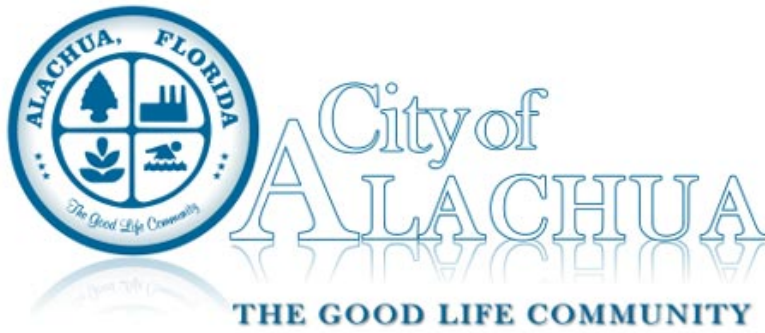
- B. January 25, 2024, Youth Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

C. Combining Youth Advisory Council and Education Task Force efforts

### **III. BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION**

### **IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

### **ADJOURN**



## Board/Committee Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** 2/29/2024

**SUBJECT:** Restoring Dignity - Wellness Packet Project

**PREPARED BY:** LeAnne Williams, Deputy City Clerk

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Read the essays and discuss the contest.

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### Summary

Thank you for the hard work everyone has put into the project. It is now time for us to present our essays and possible compile them. The requirements for the essays are as follows:

1. A written description in 500 words or less
2. What the project entailed
3. What your objectives were and how they were accomplished
4. What needs the project served in your community
5. How the project helped the residents you served
6. How the project impacted your youth council

The deadline is April 1, 2024; therefore, the compilation should be completed no later than March 21, 2024.

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### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Description

- ▣ 2024 Youth Council Community Service Contest Application





# 2024 YOUTH COUNCIL COMMUNITY SERVICE CONTEST

Our future leaders are taking action in their hometowns to address local needs. The Florida League of Cities (FLC) wants to help showcase these efforts through its annual community service contest.

**DEADLINE:**  
**April 1, 2024**

**#FLCITYYOUTH**

## OVERVIEW

We invite youth councils to submit current projects addressing a local need. Maybe it's volunteering at a community event, educating your fellow youth or organizing a neighborhood or beach cleanup.

**The deadline to submit projects is April 1, 2024.**

## APPLICATION RULES

The application packet must include:

- ① A written description in **500 words or less** that includes:
  - ▶ What the project entailed
  - ▶ What your objectives were and how they were accomplished
  - ▶ What needs the project served in your community
  - ▶ How the project helped the residents you served
  - ▶ How the project impacted your youth council.
- ② A letter of recommendation from the Mayor, Manager/Clerk or a member of the Council/Commission.
- ③ Up to five photos depicting the event.

Your nomination will NOT be scored if missing any of the above.

The FLC Community Service Contest is open only to youth councils sponsored by a city, town or village government that is a member of the FLC.

The deadline for entries is April 1, 2024.

Judging will be based entirely on the youth council's submitted entry. The judges' decision is final, and all material received becomes the property of the FLC, with permission to use it perpetually and universally, in any manner deemed appropriate by the League, with no additional compensation beyond the award money presented to the winner.

## SUBMISSION

All work must be submitted through an online form available at [flcities.com/municipal-youth-councils](https://flcities.com/municipal-youth-councils).

Submissions that are emailed or mailed will not be judged.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS

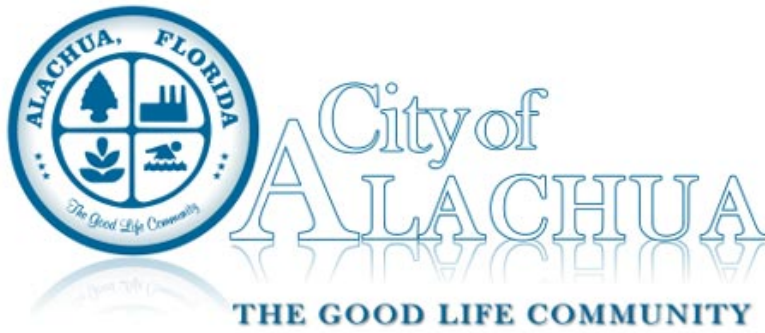
Winners will be announced in May 2024. Three projects will be selected as winners. Winners will:

- ▶ Be showcased on the League's website and social media platforms
- ▶ Be recognized in press announcements and by Quality Cities magazine
- ▶ Receive a monetary award of \$250 and a trophy/plaque.

*The League reserves the right not to award all prizes in any of the categories.*

For more information, contact Eryn Russell at [erussell@flcities.com](mailto:erussell@flcities.com).





## Board/Committee Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** 2/29/2024

**SUBJECT:** January 25, 2024, Youth Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

**PREPARED BY:** LeAnne Williams, Deputy City Clerk

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve the minutes.

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### Summary

January 25, 2024, Youth Advisory Council Meeting Minutes.

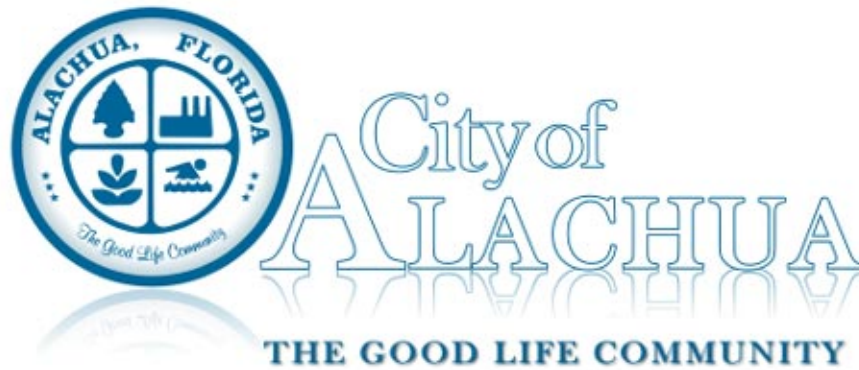
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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Description

▢ Minutes





## **Youth Advisory Council Minutes January 25, 2024**

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Vice Chair Abigail Blumer

Member Robert Hu

Member Selina Liu

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Abigail Blumer – Vice Chair

#### **INVOCATION**

LeAnne Williams, Deputy City Clerk

#### **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Abigail Blumer, Vice Chair

Emma Cedeno-Alonso, Chair - Absent

Jolene Brown, General Council Member - Absent

Joshua Smoak, General Council Member - Absent

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Member Robert Hu moved to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Member Selina Liu.**

**Passed by unanimous consent.**

## **I. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Restoring Dignity - Wellness Packet Project  
Presentation provided. LeAnne Williams, Deputy City Clerk

## **II. NEW BUSINESS**

- B. November 30, 2023, Youth Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

**Member Hu moved to approve the November 30, 2023 minutes; seconded by Member Liu.**

**Passed by unanimous consent.**

- C. December 14, 2023, Youth Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

**Member Hu moved to approve the December 14, 2023 minutes; seconded by Member Liu.**

**Passed by unanimous consent.**

## **III. BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION**

## **IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

## **ADJOURN**

**Member Liu moved to adjourn; seconded by Member Hu.**

**Passed by unanimous consent.**

Time of adjournment: 6:59 p.m.

ATTEST:

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA

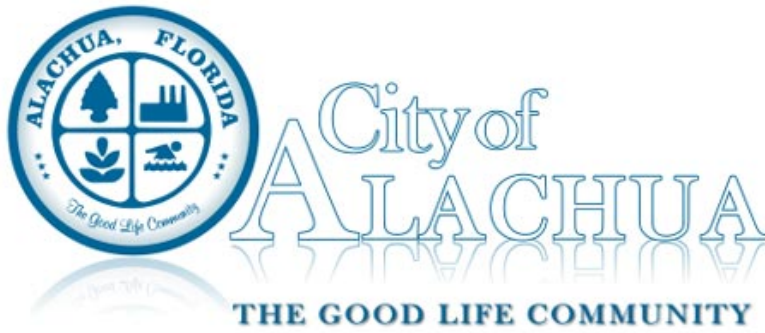
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Presiding Officer

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Staff Liaison





## Board/Committee Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** 2/29/2024

**SUBJECT:** Combining Youth Advisory Council and Education Task Force efforts

**PREPARED BY:** Diane L. Amendola, Assistant Deputy City Clerk

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Receive the presentation.

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### Summary

We would like to extend an invitation to the members of the Youth Advisory Council to attend the next Education Task Force meeting. The next Education Task Force meeting will be held on Monday, April 29, 2024, at 5:00pm.

By merging the efforts of the Youth Advisory Council and the Education Task Force, we can create a powerful synergy that will benefit our community. The unique perspectives and experiences of the youth, combined with the expertise of the Education Task Force, can lead to innovative solutions and programs that will positively impact education and the youth in our community to make a difference.

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