

### <u>'Anamatangi Polynesian Voices</u> <u>Take The Mic Journalism Program</u> <u>Purpose, Objectives & Partners</u>

#### About Take The Mic

The Take The Mic Program is a summer enrichment program for Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander youth (ages 12-24 years old) living in San Mateo County. The six-week program focuses on building leadership skills, introductory knowledge on communications media and embracing Pacific Islander culture and heritage.

#### Program Purpose

The program purpose is to create a safe, healthy space for Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander youth to build community, gain knowledge, and embrace heritage.

#### Program Objectives

By participating in the program, students will:

- Learn about Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander customs, traditions and knowledge that are rooted in healing and community sharing.
- Gain skills around mental wellness techniques and best practices that can support learned heritage-knowledge
- Develop an introductory level understanding of communications media through partner-led workshops that will support in project-building
- Gain an understanding of the social DNA of healthy neighborhoods and develop organizing skills toward a youth-led capstone project

#### **Program Partners**

We look to our program partners to support in the development and enrichment of our Take The Mic Summer Program. Interested in joining us this summer? Check out our website for more information!

## <u>'Anamatangi Youth</u> <u>Leadership Pipeline</u>



# Youth Elevation Campaign

Our entry-point into our youth pipeline. During the Youth Elevation Campaign, students will receive introductory DEI training and workshops around organizing, facilitation, outreach, research, communications. outreach, facilitation. Once completed, students will be eligible to apply into our core competency programs listed below.

Where performing arts-grassroots power meets journalistic media, Take The Mic Spring Cohort guided seven students through an introductory of communications media, culture and performance art! This project-based experience nurtured the interest of young Peninsula leaders to take the mic, and tell their/our stories.

Our Youth Fellowship program aims to integrate our indigenous practice of talanoa into the foundation of current restorative justice practice (RJP)<sub>2</sub>. The purpose is to a) establish a culturally relevant RJP community practice and b) facilitate engagement with our stakeholders, school partners, parents and youth in planning and implementing RJP for the purpose of impacting the disproportionate percentage of Pasifika youth being suspended and expelled



Youth Fellowship

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Our Comms Core internship provides ample professional development in the field of communications media, as well as community organizing. Through training provided by our Communications Director, Comms Core interns receive top-quality development while maintaining robust experiential learning through our day-to-day administrative tasks and social impact campaigns.