

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-0051**

***Support for Alameda's 100 Best Communities for Youth Application***

*WHEREAS, the Board of Education (Board) of the Alameda Unified School District (AUSD) through its leadership on the Alameda Collaborative for Children Youth and Families has identified the need for full community participation in providing support for all children and youth in Alameda;*

*WHEREAS, The Board affirms the need for youth to be a priority and have a voice in policy making and therefore includes youth representatives from all high school as members of the Board and assures that all youth have the same opportunities for addressing the Board about their concerns as are equal to all members of the community;*

*WHEREAS, the Board supports youth leadership and involvement in the local community through the community service programs and projects required for promotion and graduation which encourage youth to expand their engagement with social service agencies and groups as they take on leadership roles and responsibilities for events and activities;*

*WHEREAS, the Superintendent directed staff to work with representatives of the Alameda Collaborative for Children Youth and Families to provide data and information from AUSD that is required in the application;*

*WHEREAS, the Board affirms that all children have the right to learn and grow within an environment, free from discrimination and harassment and has established policies and practices to ensure rights of the most vulnerable including but not limited to homeless youth, youth in foster care, LGBT youth and others;*

*WHEREAS, the Board supports the Five Promises as described and researched by the America's Promise Alliance and works toward ensuring that more children and youth have access to caring adults, safe places, healthy lifestyle choices, effective education and opportunities to help others;*

*WHEREAS, the Board considers the graduation rate to be a significant measure of effective education and youth readiness for responsible participation in the community and supports district efforts to increase the graduation rate;*

*WHEREAS, the Board understands their role as a partner in the local community and supports the collaborative process of developing this application by joining with the City of Alameda Mayor's Office and the Office of the County of Alameda Board of Supervisors' Office to share information and resources in a combined effort to support all children and youth;*

*THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby supports the application for 100 Best Communities for Youth as being submitted by the Alameda Collaborative for Youth Children and Families to the America's Promise Alliance.*

*PASSED AND ADOPTED* this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010.

Ayes:

Noes:

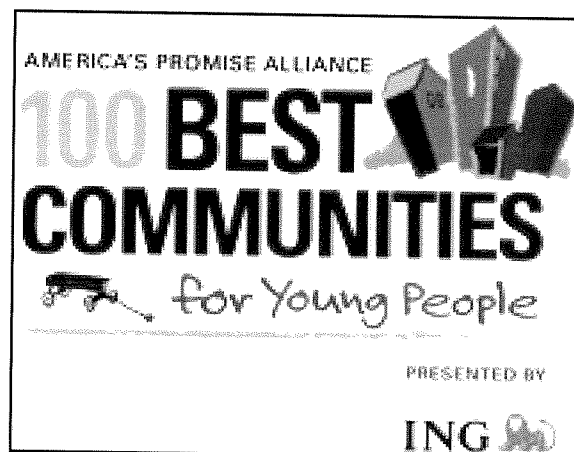
Absent:

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Ron Mooney, President  
Board of Education  
Alameda Unified School District

# Application for 100 Best Communities for Young People

Presentation to the  
Alameda Board of Education

## Our Objective



## **What does it mean for us to be one of 100 Best Communities for Young People?**

- Acknowledges who we are and what we stand for
- Promotes Alameda on a national level
- Influences future grants and foundation awards

## **What does it mean for us to engage in the process of writing for 100 Best Communities for Young People?**

- Bring together multiple resources for youth
- Gather information that can leverage future funding for all youth
- Opens doors to collaboration

## Timeline

- February 17: Youth Collaborative Mtg
- March 3: Alameda Service Collaborative Mtg
- March RFA announced
- March: Gallup Poll in schools
- **March 22: City of Alameda Kick Off Event**
- April 2: Data returned from all groups
- April 21 Youth Collaborative Mtg: draft application reviewed
- May 19 Youth Collaborative Mtg: final application accepted
- June 1: Deadline for submission

## Background Info

AMERICA'S PROMISE  
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## **The Five Promises Change Lives**

**Children who receive at least four of the Five Promises are much more likely to:**

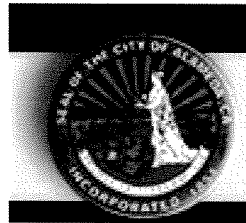
- **succeed academically**
- **be socially competent**
- **avoid violence**
- **contribute to their communities**
- **achieve high grades in school**

**To experience the full power of the Promises, young people must experience these critical supports throughout their lives :**

- **in their families,**
- **at schools and**
- **out in their communities.**

## 5 Promises

- Caring Adults
- Safe Places
- A Healthy Start
- Effective Education
- Opportunities to Help Others



## The Application

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## **March 22: Kick Off Event**

- More than 30 people from many agencies, schools and organizations came together to build City wide support for the application and share information.
- We are modeling group grant writing

## **April 21: Reading of First Draft**

- Group provided comments to make our narrative the best possible.
- We are modeling group grant writing.

## **We need your help!**

- Pass a BOE resolution supporting the application.

*Thank you*

**for making our  
community such a good  
place for children, youth  
and families!**