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Glendale, WI 53209

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AGENDA-YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, February 2, 2026
7:00 PM

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Adoption of Minutes

- a. Adoption of Minutes: December 17, 2025

3. New Business

The public may speak to the Council prior to the beginning of deliberations on these items, provided they have notified their respective Alderperson or the Mayor in advance of this meeting.

- a. Discussion and Possible Action: Middle School Field Trip
- b. Discussion and Possible Action: Hershey Heartwarming Young Heros Grant

4. Commission, Committee, Board, and Staff Reports

This is an Opportunity for Council Members to Report on their Respective Committees, Commissions, Boards of which they serve as a Member and for Staff and Administrator updates.

5. Adjournment

The Youth Council of Glendale currently holds meetings in person at City Hall, or an alternative physical location as allowed by the City Ordinance. As a courtesy to residents, Council meetings will also be made available live on Zoom virtual platform for viewing and possible participation. However, the City cannot guarantee the technology

supporting the virtual viewing option will operate perfectly and continuously. The only way to guarantee the ability to offer public comment, or view the meeting uninterrupted, is to appear in person. If the Zoom platform fails, the meeting will continue as scheduled.



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MINUTES- Youth Council

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

7:00 PM

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval: November 19, 2025, Youth Council Minutes

Motion made by Councilperson Tristan and Seconded by Councilperson Dylan to Approval: November 19, 2025, Youth Council Minutes. Ayes: Unanimous Noes: None Abstain: None

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- a. Discussion: Road Safety Campaign

Glendale City Police gave a presentation on road safety to the youth council.

- b. Presentation: Roberts Rules of Order Procedures

Mayor Kennedy gave a presentation on Roberts Rules of Order.

- c. Presentation & Discussion: Youth Service America Grant Opportunities

Staff gave an overview of grants that the youth council could apply for.

- d. Discussion & Possible Action: Regular Meeting Time

This item was removed from the agenda.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:54 P.M.
Marcy Granger
City Clerk



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SUBJECT: Discussion and Possible Action: Middle School Field Trip

FROM: Benjamin Polony, Assistant to the Administrator

MEETING: February 2, 2026 Youth Council Meeting

MEETING DATE: February 2, 2026

FISCAL SUMMARY:

Budget Summary:

Budgeted Expenditure:

Budgeted Revenue:

STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Wisconsin Statutes:

Municipal Code:

BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS: The Youth Council had originally expressed interest in organizing some sort of Youth Council field trip with local middle school students.

RECOMMENDATION: Discuss ideas for organizing a middle school field trip and plan of action.

ACTION REQUESTED: Motion to select youth council members to plan and organize middle school trip.

ATTACHMENTS:

None



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SUBJECT: Discussion and Possible Action: Hershey Heartwarming Young Heros Grant

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BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS:

This year, youth may apply for grants of \$250, \$500, or \$1,000 depending on the number of youth who will be participants. A total of \$50,000 in grants will be awarded. Grant options include:

- \$250 – at least 25 youth project volunteers / event participants
- \$500 – at least 50 youth project volunteers / event participants
- \$1,000 – at least 100 youth project volunteers / event participants

Awareness, Service, or Philanthropy Project	Youth Voice, Leadership, or Advocacy Project
We're looking for ideas straight from your heart that build meaningful connections and create more inclusive, empathetic, and kind communities. Types of projects include: • Awareness: Educating others and sharing information to positively change behaviors.	We're looking to support youth voice, leadership, or advocacy projects. Types of projects include: • Youth Advocacy Event: Youth leading a project to influence policy or community change. • Youth Rally, March, or Demonstration

- Service: Volunteering, using creativity, time, and talent to directly meet community needs.
- Philanthropy: Giving through collecting and donating financial and in-kind support.

Suggested project focus areas include:

- Promoting Inclusion
 - Celebrating Diverse Cultures
 - Building Racial Equity
- Teaching Empathy
 - Creating a Kinder Community
 - Protecting Mental Health
- Fostering Meaningful Connections
 - Building Intergenerational Relationships
 - Addressing Social Isolation & Loneliness

You can propose a project with a different focus / issue area as long as it has building empathy, inclusivity, kindness, and/or connection among volunteers as one of its goals.

- Youth Day at City Hall
 - [Youth Voter Registration](#)
 - Youth Voice Events
 - [Youth Summit on Climate Change](#)
 - Forums/Debates
 - Youth Participation in City Council
 - School Board, etc.
 - [Wish Wall Event](#)
 - [Youth Takeover](#)
 - Youth Leadership Events
 - Youth-Led Training
 - Partnerships Training
 - Youth Advisory Group
 - Event
 - Community Mapping
- All events must be nonpartisan and not for or against specific legislation.

Examples of past projects are included as an attachment to this.

RECOMMENDATION: Discuss ideas for applying for the grant.

ACTION REQUESTED: Motion to select members to plan and organize grant application.

ATTACHMENTS:

Previous Grant Ideas

YSA Supports Young Changemakers



Literacy Equality Book Drive

Lauren E., Age 17, Rayville, LA

Lauren and the Richland Parish 4-H Junior Leaders organized a book drive to provide each student in Richland Parish Public School with at least one book. They collected over 1,000 books and distributed them to families during a Back to School Book Fair.



Young Men Planting Seeds

Chase T., Age 14, St. Petersburg, FL

Chase and members of his Sigma Beta club planted, grew, harvested, and donated fresh vegetables to provide nutritious food to 150 people in a neighborhood where it can take hours to reach the closest grocery store via public transportation.



We stand with Ukraine!

Sofia T., Age 14, Arvada, CO

Sofia, who is Ukrainian and lives in the United States, wanted to help families who had to leave all nonessentials behind when fleeing the war zone. She created and shipped 100 care packages for displaced children with cards, crayons, toys, and stuffed animals.



Political Penpals

Debby C., Age 18, Oakland, CA

Debby, a first-generation American, launched a new project with Junior State of America to pair 200 high school students with different political ideologies to each other to have open-minded conversations, combat political polarization, and build empathy.



Spring Into Action for Seniors

Mikolaj N., Age 14, Rochester, MN

Miko and friends from his school, the Rochester Youth Commission, the Mayor's Council, and his church youth group collected supplies and planted flower pots for senior citizens in an assisted living facility who missed having their own yards and gardens.



Comfort Kits for Casa Grande

Stella D., Age 13, Casa Grande, AZ

Stella, who wants to be a school counselor or psychologist when she grows up, continued her Girl Scout Bronze Award project helping kids in foster care. She organized a school-wide project to pack mental health comfort kits for 450 children in foster care.

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Worry Monster Project

Reuben B., Age 16,
Bloomfield Hills, MI

Reuben and youth volunteers with KidsRead2Kids and Shir Tikvah Sunday School paired middle schoolers with first and second graders to read *What Are Your Worries, Little Bear?* and make "worry boxes" to address fears.



Addressing Food Inequality

Jason S., Age 24, Whitefish, MT

Jason worked with Land to Hand Montana to address racial inequality in local food systems. He facilitated discussions on Indigenous and Black food cultures and partnered with FAST Blackfeet to create seed bundles for members of the Blackfeet Nation.



No-Sew Fleece Blankets

Andrew V., Age 16, San Jose, CA

Andrew and 100 student volunteers from Piedmont Hills High School made 130 no-sew fleece blankets for Kindergarten students at a nearby elementary school, many of whom are children of migrant farm workers and living in poverty.



Homeless Survival Packages

Ethan H., Age 11, Birmingham, AL

Ethan and a team of elementary school-age volunteers with Ethan's Heart solicited donations for supplies like water, soap, shampoo, tissues, snacks, and face masks and packed 180 kits that they distributed to people who are homeless in Birmingham.



Bridging Generational Divides

Caroline B. and Rachel G., Age 21,
Manhattan, KS

Caroline and Rachel organized an intergenerational craft day where Kansas State University students went to Meadowlark Hills Retirement Center to make May Day crafts and spend time building relationships with the residents.



Bee Kind Care Packages

Arianna F., Age 15,
Oklahoma City, OK

Arianna student athletes from Putnam City High School, and 3rd graders at John Glenn Elementary School created 120 care packages for patients at Oklahoma Children's Hospital with cards, books, games, and bee bracelets.

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