

Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Policy Advisory Council Equity & Access Subcommittee

May 3, 2021

Agenda Item 6

Update from Youth Internship Workgroup

- Subject:** Youth Internship Workgroup update.
- Background:** The Youth Internship Working Group was created in the fall of 2020 to guide the reorganization of the college and high school internship programs at MTC. Workgroup members include representatives from the Policy Advisory Council as well as staff from MTC and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. Staff has designed a mentorship program for college age students and a Bay Area Summer Academy to serve underrepresented high school age youth from low-income and communities of color who want to learn more about our regional governments. The Academy will include deeper dives into policy issues relevant to their lives, including resiliency to climate change, housing affordability, and equity issues. The six-part webinar series will take place in July and include a capstone project presentation open to MTC community members, including the Policy Advisory Council, currently scheduled for the afternoon of July 29, 2021.
- Issues:** Equity, career pipelines, youth engagement, environmental justice, inter-agency partnerships.
- Recommendation:** Information only
- Attachments:** Attachment A: PowerPoint

MTC 2021 Summer High School & College Programs

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Agenda

- Updates for the Summer 2021 College and High School Programs
 - Pathway to Government College Mentorship
 - Bay Area Summer Academy (High School)
- Next steps
 - Implementation
 - Assessment

Pathways to Government College Mentorship

- Pilot class will have 5-10 mentees for Summer 2021
- Remote work (Hot Spots provided)
- Targeting students from historically underrepresented and underserved communities
- Career/Resume Writing Workshop planned
- Invitation to attend Regional Government seminars

Bay Area Summer Academy (High School)

- General Updates
- Curriculum
 - Introduction to Regional Government
 - Four deep dives topic areas
 - Capstone Project presentation

Next Steps

- College Program
 - May 28, 2021: Mentees hired and assigned with mentor
 - June 14, 2021: Mentorship program begins
 - August 2021: Assessment and future planning
- High School Program
 - July 8, 2021: Bay Area Summer Academy begins
 - August 2021: Assessment and future planning

Questions

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