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It's been a busy fall for the Youth Policy Institute (YPI). Our newest charter middle school, Monseñor Oscar Romero, opened its doors for students in Pico Union in September, while the 3rd Annual Valley Family Technology Project fundraiser on September 27th proved our most successful yet.

New partners include the United Way of Greater Los Angeles, IBM, JCPenney, and the Los Angeles Infrastructure Academy. You'll find information about these and other programs in this newsletter and on our website at www.ypiusa.org.

YPI provides education, training, and technology programs for youth and adults at 51 sites in Los Angeles. With a \$13 million annual budget and a staff of over 400, YPI serves nearly 14,000 clients each year.

Sincerely,

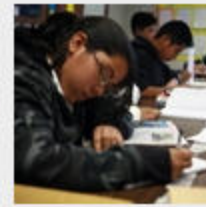


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YPI Charter Schools Open

Monseñor Oscar Romero Charter Middle School opened its doors in September to sixth grade students in Pico Union/Westlake. YPI's other charter middle school, Bert Corona Charter School, began its fourth year in Pacoima with 359 students in grades 6-8. [More Details](#)



United Way Funding

The United Way of Greater Los Angeles has awarded YPI two grants. The *Creating Pathways Out of Poverty* Initiative will support YPI's college preparation and education programs, while the United Way/JCPenney grant is training 120 high school students as lifeguards for area pools and recreation centers. [More Details](#)



Valley Family Technology Project Fundraiser

The third annual VFTP fundraiser on September 27th raised \$85,000 in donations and technology resources for low income families in Pacoima. Supporters this year include IBM, NewEgg, and AT&T. The program provides computer literacy training and brand new home computer systems for families at no cost. [Funder List](#)



Los Angeles Infrastructure Academy

On September 20th, Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa held a press conference to announce his new Los Angeles Infrastructure Academy, a job training academy for youth. YPI AmeriCorps members will offer tutoring and technical training for Academy youth beginning in January 2008. [More Details](#)

41,000 Hours of AmeriCorps Tutoring for LAUSD Students

The Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education approved on November 27th a match of \$617,625 over the next three years to the YPI AmeriCorps Program. This will provide 41,175 hours of tutoring by 61 AmeriCorps members each year for students at 10 district schools. [Program Details](#)



EETT Funding for Bert Corona

YPI's Bert Corona Charter School was the only charter school in the state to receive Enhancing Education Through Technology (EETT) Competitive funding in the Round 6 awards announced by California Department of Education last month. [More Details](#)



\$280,000 Awarded for Preschool Classrooms

YPI received \$280,000 from the California Department of Education for portable classrooms at Pacoima Charter Elementary School. The new classrooms will serve 48 preschool children and their families in the Pre-Kindergarten and Family Literacy program. [Program Details](#)



Afterschool Services Expand to 24 Schools

YPI is now providing afterschool programs at 24 schools in Los Angeles. YPI's *21st Century Kids* serves over 3,000 students each day with tutoring, enrichment, and fitness activities for students in kindergarten through high school. [More Details](#)

SES Tutoring Program Continues to Grow

YPI will serve 1,745 students with tutoring in English language arts and math this year. Students eligible for the Supplemental Educational Services (SES) program attend LAUSD and charter schools across the city. [Program Details](#)

