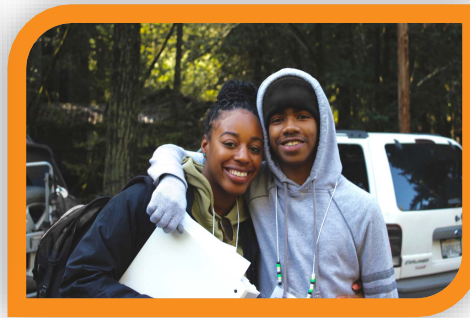




**Legal Education**



**Leadership Training**



**Mentoring**

Founded in 2000, Fresh Lifelines for Youth (FLY) is an award-winning nonprofit working to break the cycle of juvenile violence, crime, and incarceration. FLY believes that **all** our children deserve a chance to become more than their past mistakes. FLY's unique combination of **legal education, leadership training, and mentoring** motivates and equips youth to change the course of their lives. We are also committed to working with our local juvenile justice system partners to help those systems become more just, humane, and equitable.

The U.S. locks up more kids than any other country in the world, especially youth of color and those living in high-poverty areas. The majority come out and just go back in again. Juvenile hall costs more than \$200,000 per year in California, and incarcerated kids are much more likely to end up in jail as adults.

FLY is one of a very few Bay Area agencies that specializes in working with kids who are incarcerated or on probation, or whose risky behavior could land them in juvenile hall. Each year, we serve nearly 2,000 youth ages 12-18 in 23 cities across Santa Clara, San Mateo, and Alameda counties. For less than one-tenth the cost of incarceration, we help them develop the skills they need to lead healthy, productive lives.

FLY has played an important role in community-wide efforts that have resulted in a **77% reduction in juvenile incarceration in Santa Clara County and a 65% reduction in San Mateo County**. By giving youth the support to transform into positive community leaders, FLY increases safety in our communities and decreases the costs and consequences of crime.

FLY's services were designed with the help of incarcerated youth, who told FLY's founder:

*"If only I had known how much trouble I would get into..."*

*"If only I had been given a chance to do something good for the community..."*

*"If only someone had cared about me..."*

*"...I wouldn't be here."*

She asked them what could be done to keep other kids from ending up with the same fate.

Their ideas became and remain the foundation of FLY's success: legal education, leadership training, and mentoring.



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## What Your Investment Means to FLY Youth

FLY's **Law Program** teaches kids about the law and consequences of crime and starts them thinking about making changes in their lives.

FLY's **Leadership Training Program** is designed for kids who are at the highest risk and have the least support. It provides each youth with a year of 1:1 support from our staff to set a new direction for their lives, a new positive peer group, fun/safe/sober activities, and ways to give back to their communities.

FLY's **Court Appointed Friend and Advocate Mentor Program** gives youth on probation a caring adult role model (volunteer) who supports them for a year as they develop new attitudes and goals, and have a lot of fun together!

- **\$15,000** supports one youth for a year in the Leadership Training Program.
- **\$10,000** lets six kids attend the FLY Law Program course.
- **\$5,000** gives one youth on probation a year of the Court Appointed Friend and Advocate Mentor Program.
- **\$2,500** provides training and on-going support to 20 volunteer facilitators who teach FLY's Law Program
- **\$1,000** allows four Leadership Training Program youth to attend special activities during the program year.
- **\$500** provides training and on-going support to five volunteer mentors.

**Can't write that big check today?** Consider monthly giving! As a year-round investor, you not only sustain the programs our youth and our communities urgently need, but you also allow FLY to better plan for the future. You'll receive exclusive benefits as a FLYght Circle member, plus our hassle-free automatic giving method ensures that more of your dollars directly support our youth.