

# Youth Advisory Committee 2023 Annual Presentation

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Presented by Cody Mackoway

# YAC Mandate

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## **Purpose**

- The Youth Advisory Committee advises Council on issues related to youth in the community.

## **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Research and provide input into policy proposals, programs, and services that impact youth in the community;
- Consult with Administration and other youth serving agencies to support youth initiatives;
- Work with Administration to develop and maintain a community dialogue about matters important to youth in Sturgeon County;
- Establish partnerships with individuals and youth serving organizations to ensure different perspectives are reflected in Youth Advisory Committee initiatives;

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## **Duties and Responsibilities (continued)**

- Receive and act on direction from Council on matters impacting youth in the community;
- Solicit feedback from youth in the community when appropriate at the Committee's discretion, or at the direction of Council; and
- Inform Council of initiatives of other levels of government that affect youth.

# 2023 Board Members

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YAC Committee Chairperson – Cody Mackoway

YAC Vice Chairperson – Shelby Pierce

Nienke Ritsema

Benjamin Baril

Skylar Boissonnault

Lilyah Richardson

Madison Selinger

Kiera Comeau

Morgan Soetaert

Evan SoroChan

Councillor Kristin Toms

Deputy Mayor Deanna Stang

# 2023 Accomplishments

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- Formation of Committee and first meeting held in April 2023
- Elected Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson
- Established meeting procedures and schedule for 2023
- Identification and discussion of key issues for Committee input
- Provided input on how the County can best engage with and enhance its communication with youth including:
  - review of the Sturgeon County website
  - review of social media channels

# 2024 Work Plan

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- Identify key issues of importance for youth
- Provide recommendations on community youth engagement strategies
- Identify and discuss gaps in services/resources for the youth demographic within the county
- Provide input on how to address unmet needs
- Attend meetings of other Sturgeon County Boards and Committees to obtain a better understanding of governance processes and opportunities for continued interface with these Boards and Committees.



# Questions?

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Thank you!