



Youth Summit Highlights

On December 9, 2011 75 high school students and educators from all over Northern California came together to participate in ADL's YOUTH SUMMIT 2011. Generously funded by the Graham Family Foundation, this day-long conference provided students and their teachers with tools and resources to combat prejudice, bullying and bias. Ten schools participated and included Jewish schools, Catholic schools as well as public high schools and one continuation high school. These are the highlights from the evaluations.

"I thought this conference was fascinating and really made me think about myself and who I am and question why I believe what I believe (stereotypes, biases etc.)."

High School Student, Palo Alto

"I learned about stereotypes and all its effects and a lot about the Jewish community in particular which was very cool."

High School Student, Hayward

"Fantastic! Thank you!"

High School Student, Hayward

"As a result of today's program, I will: observe the way I stereotype and judge myself and others"

High School Student, Santa Cruz

“I kinda (sic) thought this would be a drag but it was actually a very positive experience.”
High School Student, Santa Cruz

“I learned that not just African-Americans go through bullying and stereotypes.”
High School Student, San Jose

“As a result of today’s program, I will: go back to my school and actually become more of an ally rather than a bystander.”

High School Student, Hayward

“Thank you for hosting this! I had an amazing time. It gives me hope to see so many other passionate youth and adults.”

High School Student, San Jose

“I believe that this is a very good program that should be more publicized because this was very life-changing and very fun.”

High School Student, Hayward

“Thank you so much! The ADL is making such a difference by training these kids to be stronger people and stop bullying. I had lots of fun! Also, I made friends!”

High School Student, Palo Alto

“Keep up the fight for social justice. This is an amazing program. We hope to come back next year.”
Administrator, Vallejo

“Thank you and thank you to the benefactors who made this day possible.”
Teacher, San Jose

“I was very impressed with the SUMMIT’S ability to get us all to bond and share openly. The insight I gained from other’s experiences was very valuable. The curriculum resources and resources shared by other teachers will be very valuable in my classroom.”

Teacher, Santa Cruz