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TO/DEST. Community Services Committee

FROM/EXP. Committee Co-ordinator

SUBJECT/OBJET YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU CENTRAL YOUTH ADVISORY

TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S PERSPECTIVE YOUTH FORUM

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Community Services Committee receive a presentation from the Youth Services Bureau Central Youth Advisory Team for information.

BACKGROUND

The Youth Services Bureau Central Youth Advisory Team is a group of young people who act as advisors and consultants on youth issues both within the agency and without. They are also members of the Young People's Perspective (YPP), a collaboration of over 20 youth-serving agencies in the Region. In November 1998 the Advisory Team helped YPP co-ordinate the second annual Youth Forum, where over 300 young people gathered to discuss key youth issues. Ten workshops were held at various times during the day. These workshops addressed: dating, rights and responsibilities, drug use and abuse, parenting, jobs, street life, new experiences in Canada, youth making music, body beautiful (self-esteem), and It's cool to be cool: managing stress.

For the second year in a row, the youth gathered all the information and recommendations together into "Action Manual II". Their goal is to raise awareness with service providers and politicians on the recommendations which they developed, and thus to influence community direction. Illustrations in the manual were drawn by youth themselves from CHEO's YouthNet . (This information was submitted by the YSB.)

The Youth Services Bureau Central Youth Advisory has asked to make a presentation to the Community Services Committee on the "Action Manual II/Manuel d'action II", dated Spring 1999. Copies of the manual have been provided to all Members of Council.

Approved by M. J. Beauregard