

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: The Youth Department is aimed at assisting those who are in a low socio-economic position. In the Latinos American Society, Ruth Enid Zambrana discusses the hardships that the BIPOC community's because of their low socio-economic position. A family's socioeconomic position determines the resources that their child will have. Low-income parents are more likely to not have a higher educational background which can also correlate to their English language proficiency. Being a low-income family also likely means that the parents have multiple jobs that prevent them from going to school-related activities. Low-income families often have more inflexible jobs that are paid hourly, meaning that if they decide to attend a school activity they likely have to miss work and lose money. Another factor that affects the child's educational opportunities and experiences is the community in which they live; if the neighborhood does not provide programs to better themselves, we must advocate for these resources. Knowing this, the Youth Department can become the support that these youth need to succeed in higher education and life. BIPOC communities need more resources, as they have historically been at a disadvantage, and this department will be a step in the right direction.