

We are (describe who we represent in terms of youth).

All youth in California have the following rights regardless of race, gender/sexual identity, income, immigration/refugee status, religion, physical ability, arrest record and/or incarceration history, or where we live – whether with our families, in foster care, in a shelter, in an institution, behind bars or on the street:

1. **The right to define, control, express and celebrate our own identity.**
2. **The right to learn, express and celebrate our own history, language and traditions.**
3. **The right to eat healthy and nutritious food.**
4. **The right to be free from fear, violence or brutality.**
5. **The right to permanent, decent and affordable housing.**
6. **The right to have roots -- in our community**, protection from gentrification and displacement and in our schools, the right to learn, share and celebrate our own language, traditions and history.
7. **The right to free, quality education – preschool through college.**
8. **The right to equal justice before the law** (throughout all levels of police, court and institutional contact; the right to rehabilitation, treatment and alternatives to arrest, court, detention and incarceration.)
9. **The right to work** – fair and dignified employment, job training and career opportunities.
10. **The right to peace.** End the war on youth at home and throughout the world.
11. **The right to vote.** The right to political representation.
12. **The right to free, quality health care** without parental/guardian permission.
13. **The right to a clean environment.**

Proposed Process:

1. Local regions use list above to develop platform. Platforms are presented at statewide gathering.
2. The CFYO develops a statewide draft Youth Bill of Rights
3. Regions review and amend statewide draft.
4. Movement Building Committee of the CFYO combines changes from all four regions and returns Rights document to the full CFYO and regions for final review and adoption.