



**Leadership Spokane 2026  
Garden Infrastructure and Clean-Up Project**

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# River City Youth

- River City Youth creates opportunities for youth enrichment in their neighborhoods through community engagement, job training and education.
- Envision a diverse community of empowered, skilled and capable youth working to strengthen their local community.

## **COMMUNITY**

We believe meaning is found in creating and sustaining productive relationships with our neighborhoods, our Earth and one another.

## **HOPE**

We believe in nurturing the full potential of each program participant.

## **PURPOSE**

We believe each resident of Spokane has a role in creating a more peaceful, productive and whole community.

## **OPPORTUNITY**


We believe all youth can make their lives and world more sustainable and intentional.

# Growing an Enhanced garden

- River City's Project Request:
  - Accessible
  - "Homey"
  - Variety of Ideas and Options
- Fall and Winter meetings – multiple planning meetings
- Site Visits
- Planting by late March/early April
- Six raised beds to be placed, filled, and stubbed with drip lines for planting and accessible use



# “Growing” an Enhanced Garden

A photograph showing a person's hands, wearing a grey ribbed sweater, tending to rows of young lettuce plants in a garden bed. The plants are arranged in neat rows, with some showing vibrant green and purple hues. The soil is dark and rich. The image is partially obscured by a white diagonal graphic element on the left side.

*“A small organization like River City Youth thrives when community comes together to support our mission. The Leadership Spokane team was able to make our efforts in making our garden more accessible and bountiful for our current youth and for years to come!”*

*- Kate Burke, Executive Director*

Total Hours  
Worked: 106



Shout out to our  
family volunteers!

*WHEN WE PLANT  
SEEDS, PEOPLE  
GROW*

*WEBSITE:  
[RCYOUTH.ORG](http://RCYOUTH.ORG)*



# River City Youth Programs



## Outdoor Adventures

Yasuhara Middle students made connections with nature and each other in our great outdoors.



## West Central Bike Bus

Holmes Elementary students learned safe riding skills biking to and from school in spring and fall.



## Barista Internship

With support from New Love Coffee, our high school barista interns learned a trade that can support them through college.



## Agriculture Internship

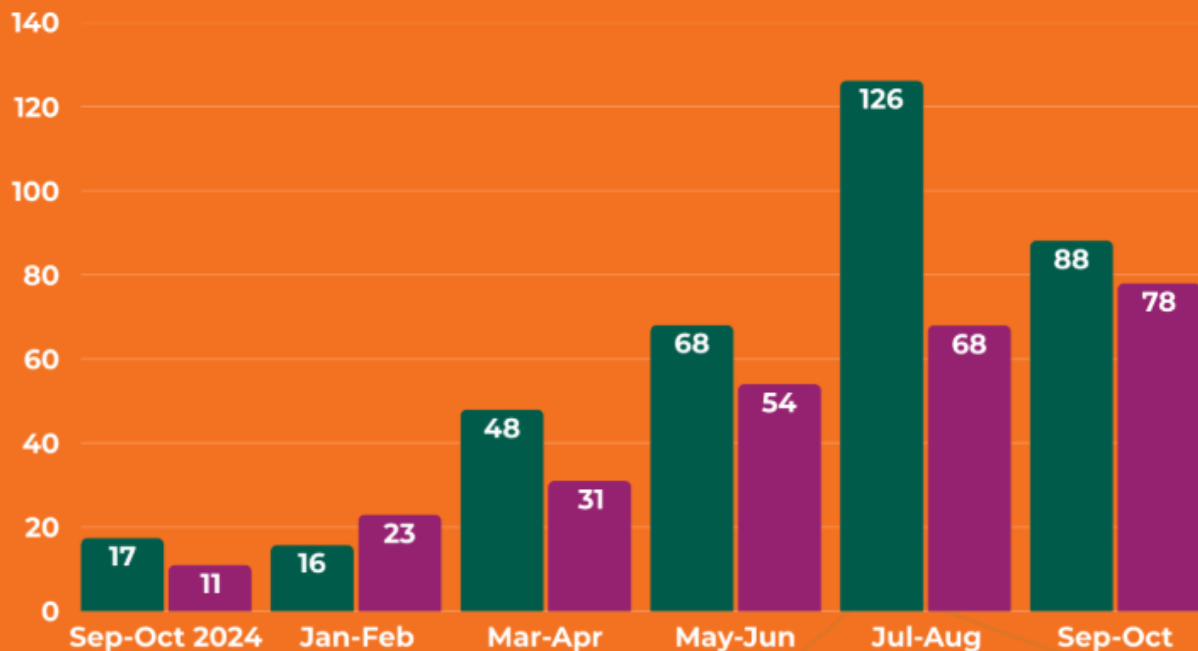
Reimagined for the whole growing season, our paid agriculture program grew to teach dozens of high schoolers life and job skills.

# Stats

In 2025, River City Youth engaged youth across North Spokane in job training, gardening, outdoor recreation, and biking. Thanks to our community's support, 120 youth were able to participate in more than 4,000 hours of enrichment programming this year!

## GROWING OUR YOUTH COMMUNITY

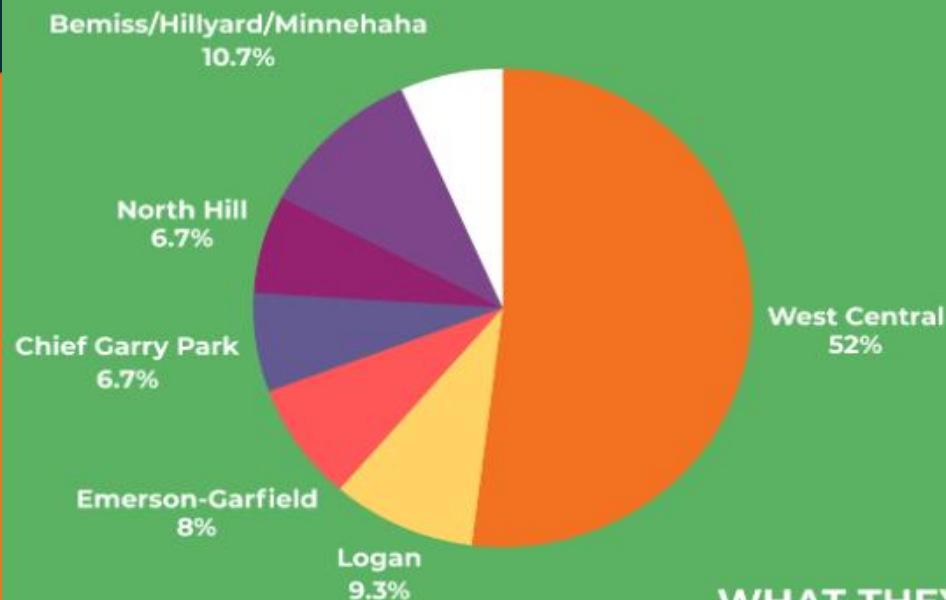
- Weekly contact hours with youth
- Youth enrolled in multi-week programs



# Stats

## BRINGING YOUTH TOGETHER

### Residences Of Our Youth



## WHAT THEY DID

### A Few Of Our Youth's Achievements

