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THIS MONTH WITH BAYCC

This month's newsletter highlights BAYCC's commitment to service, connection, and celebration. From our Eid al-Adha Service Day to youth achievements at the Congressional Awards, we reflect on a meaningful month. Moments of joy at the Ladies' Social Night and acts of solidarity in SF and Oakland show the strength of coming together.

ABOUT US

Founded in 2002 by volunteers from diverse professional backgrounds, BAYCC harnesses the power of interfaith dialogue, community engagement, and education to promote the well-being of the community and foster stronger connections.

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EVENT SPOTLIGHT



EID AL-ADHA SERVICE DAY 2025

On June 7, 2025 BAYCC and Pacifica Institute co-organized a meaningful Eid al-Adha celebration that brought together hundreds of neighbors, volunteers, and community partners. The event combined cultural celebration with hands-on service activities, showcasing the true values of Eid — generosity, gratitude, and community connection.

The event welcomed more than 150 guests, including families, friends, youth, and children. Over the course of three hours, participants enjoyed a shared lunch, engaged in impactful service projects, and reflected on the power of giving.

HIGHLIGHTS IN NUMBERS



250
hygiene kits



40
meal packs



15
camp duffels
for teens



30
kids & youth



50
pairs of
jeans donated



\$85
raised from
lemonade



150+
guests shared a
Turkish meal

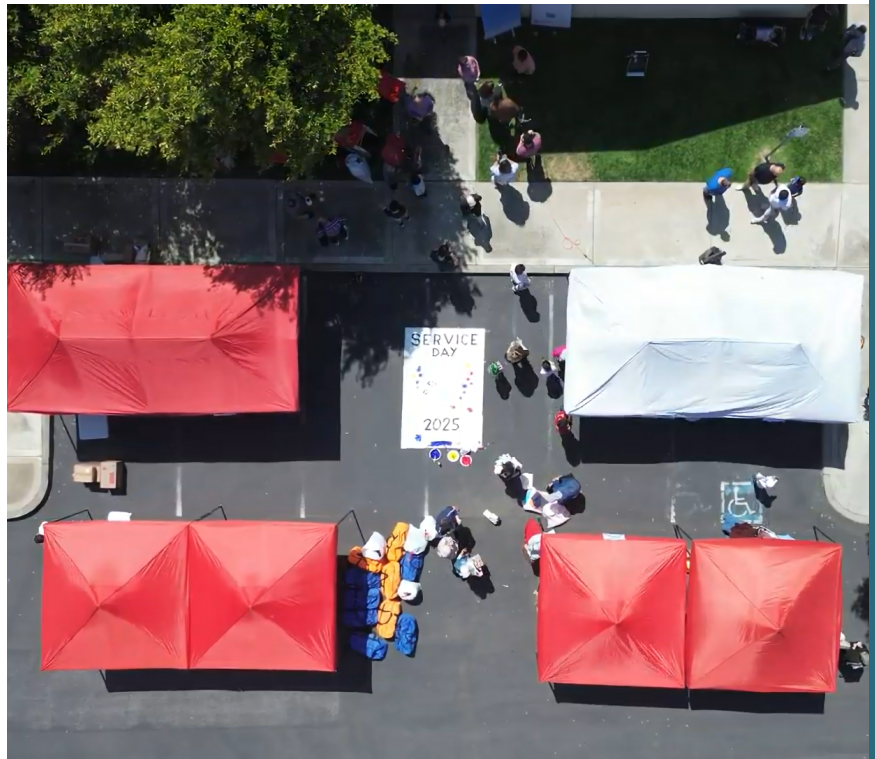


EVENT SPOTLIGHT

SERVICE STATIONS

After lunch, guests joined one of several service stations, including:

- Packing food relief bags with Turkish meal staples
- Assembling hygiene kits for unhoused neighbors
- Preparing snack and canned food packs for street outreach
- Packing summer camp duffle bags for children
- Sorting donated jeans for unhoused neighbors



EMPOWERING TEENS WITH SUMMER CAMP KITS

One of the most meaningful service activities of the day was the preparation and packing of summer camp kits for 15 teenagers supported by Family Supportive Housing.

“Your generosity provided children experiencing homelessness with essentials for camp, bringing joy to the kids and peace of mind to their families. Thanks to BAYCC, they arrived confident and ready to make lasting memories and enjoy a true summer experience.”

- Family Supportive Housing

TO READ MORE ABOUT SERVICE DAY

Visit our event page at baycc.org/events and watch our YouTube video [@BayCC_Official](https://www.youtube.com/@BayCC_Official).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We are deeply grateful to nonprofit organizations who helped us identify the actual needs of people in need. We donated to: Family Supportive Housing, Hope's Corner, Agape Silicon Valley, and ICNA Relief.

PAST EVENTS

JUNE 1,
2025



LADIES' SOCIAL NIGHT

We had an amazing turnout for our very first Ladies' Social Night! The evening brought together Muslim women from across the community to relax, connect, and enjoy meaningful conversations at Warm Springs Community Center.



We were honored to feature live music performed by talented Muslim women from Sacramento, and our keynote speaker, Dr. Yasmeen Daifallah, truly connected with participants by sharing her inspiring experience. Guests also enjoyed a delicious dinner, tea, baklavas, and exciting raffle prizes throughout the night.

Events like these are all about building relationships and creating space to unwind. We're excited to continue offering more opportunities like this in the future.



[T]hank you for hosting the beautiful event tonight. It was my honor to attend and experience the amazing music and soulful talks."



SOLIDARITY WITH SF & OAKLAND COMMUNITIES

This Eid al-Adha, we distributed meat across Oakland and San Francisco to honor and embody the spirit of Qurbani.

JUNE 8,
2025

PAST EVENTS

Ahmet Bey, along with several of our dedicated volunteers, personally delivered the meat to both Imam Nail and to brothers at Lighthouse Mosque.

While we weren't able to provide freshly sacrificed meat due to logistical challenges, we did our best to uphold the meaning and essence of Eid by sourcing quality meat from trusted suppliers and restaurant depots. This effort was our humble way of making sure the spirit of Qurbani was felt and shared among our neighbors.



SHARING IN EID AL-ADHA

On the blessed day of Eid al-Adha, a meaningful act of service took place in Fremont, California. A group of volunteers came together to purchase and distribute fresh Kurban meat to Afghan refugee families who have recently arrived in the United States under difficult circumstances.

The meat was delivered directly to 25 families in need. These families, many of whom recently fled hardship and persecution in their home country, are struggling to establish a new life here. Language barriers, financial challenges, and the emotional toll of displacement make holidays especially difficult for them.



We didn't share a language, but we shared faith, compassion, and the joy of Eid."

Eid al-Adha is more than a ritual — it's a celebration of faith, sacrifice, and unity. Acts like these remind us that despite different backgrounds and tongues, we are one Ummah, bound by shared belief and brotherhood. May this service be accepted by Allah and inspire more kindness and solidarity.

**JUNE 9,
2025**

PAST EVENTS

JUNE 10,
2025



CONGRESSIONAL AWARDS 2025

From June 10–13, six outstanding students from our community traveled to Washington, D.C. to receive the prestigious Gold Congressional Award Medal, the highest honor Congress bestows upon youth. As part of the national ceremony, students had the opportunity to meet and network with Senators, Congress members, and fellow awardees from across the country, while also exploring the capital and celebrating their hard-earned achievements.

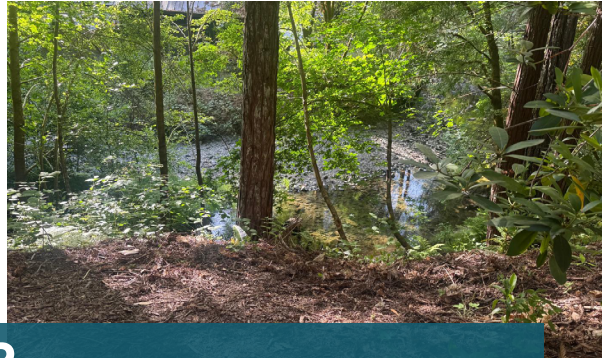
Out of 156 medals awarded nationwide, 35 were from California, and 6 of those students came from our BAYCC community—a remarkable accomplishment that reflects their dedication to personal development, service, and leadership. We are incredibly proud of their success and the inspiration they bring to our broader community.



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PAST EVENTS

JUNE 14,
2025



BOYS SUMMER CAMP

From June 14–20, BAYCC held its Boys Summer Camp at Redwood Alliance, bringing together students and mentors for a week of spiritual reflection, learning, and outdoor adventure. With a full daily schedule—including early morning prayers, Qur'an study, book discussions, and group reflections—the camp balanced focused spiritual development with fun activities like soccer, volleyball, and swimming.

The experience strengthened bonds between participants and fostered a sense of discipline, joy, and community. As guests in the beautiful Redwood setting, campers also practiced respect for their environment and each other. It was a week that left everyone feeling refreshed, connected, and inspired.



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