



Junior Chamber International
Worldwide Federation of Young Leaders and Entrepreneurs
Santa Clarita Valley, California

Biography

Junior Chamber International Santa Clarita (JCI Santa Clarita, also known as the SCV Jaycees) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization made up of tomorrow's leaders and today's up-and-coming young professionals, dedicated to leadership, community involvement, and personal and professional development while establishing new business and social networks.

Leadership Development

Members learn the skills needed to plan major projects, motivate groups, problem-solve, budget, run meetings, and much more! By participating on committees, chairing events, and serving on the Board of Directors, an individual learns how to delegate, manage and work as a team with other civic-minded people. Members are encouraged to develop new ideas and undertake new initiatives in order to realize their leadership potential. This experience offers members the opportunity to grow through success and failure in a safe and positive environment.

Community Involvement

Members work to promote and improve the quality of life within their communities through community involvement. Through community service, members volunteer for projects such as the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Members participate in fundraising activities to raise money for many different organizations in our community, such as the Brenda Mehling Cancer Fund (BMCF) and the Michael Hoefflin Foundation. As the future of our community lies in the hands of today's young people, many projects, such as Santa's Helpers, are conducted to ensure that young people are well prepared to take the community leadership roles in the years to come.

Professional Development

To be a leader, to be connected to your community, to be a successful networker all require making the most of who you are. Members are offered a wide range leadership training that encourage members to explore and build on untapped skills and interests. Programs activities and workshops are offered on leadership, project management, financial management, time and stress management, public speaking, and communications skills.

Personal Development and Business Networking

The Jaycees can jumpstart your career, land a new job, or launch a new business! Members are able to develop in many professional and personal areas, including human relations, self-confidence, the ability to handle pressure, ability to handle diversity, and teamwork. They are also encouraged to promote and advance new ideas as well to be more creative, a problem-solver and a solution-seeker.

In today's business world, it is important to have both leadership training and contacts in the professional world. The Jaycees provide business networking opportunities in both casual and formal contexts. Members make valuable contacts at membership meetings with featured speakers and through helping to plan events.

Social Networking

The Junior Chamber is the cure for the common social life. While working hard planning big and small events throughout the year, the Jaycees also know how to have fun. With every project, there is always a social element. Meetings are often held at local restaurants, and committee members often look forward to a post-gathering to celebrate the success of their event. And, sometimes we just like to throw a party! The greatest friendships develop in our organization. Whether we meet for drinks and dinner, catch a movie or a ballgame, or check out the latest exhibit, this is a good group of people to do it with.

Jaycees On a State, National and Global Level ...

Jaycees are not only members of their local chapter, but of the California Junior Chamber, the United States Junior Chamber, and Junior Chamber International (JCI), a worldwide federation of almost a quarter of a million young leaders and entrepreneurs, located in more than 5,000 communities in over 100 nations throughout the world, participating in projects, meetings, learning programs and events to help create positive change in our world. For more information on the California and United States Jaycees and JCI, check out:

<http://www.cajaycees.org/> , www.usjaycees.org/ , www.jci.cc/ .

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