

## **Gallatin Gateway Youth Group (GYG) GYG Elevator Statement**

### **Who are we?**

A community based nonprofit organization working with youth of the community.

### **What do we do?**

We provide programs, scholarships, and community service and fundraising activities for community youth grades K-12 including: Once a Month Club which includes service as well as fun activities, Student Summit on Sustainability, Middle School Dance, Thanksgiving Meals on Wheels., Family Activities—Community Swim, Tail Clean Up and Breakfast with Santa.

### **Why do we do what we do?**

To fulfill our mission - to empower and enrich the lives of Gateway youth, to engage the youth in community service, and to foster future community leaders.

GYG provides opportunities for youth to learn, to develop leadership skills, and to engage in community service through projects, programs, and fun activities. As adult mentors we provide positive role models and guidance. We encourage participation in events and activities that help youth to learn, become engaged, and to grow as individuals and future community leaders.

### **How are we funded?**

Primarily by the Turner Youth Initiative and through fundraisers held throughout the year.

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**Activities/Programs**

**Once-A-Month Club (Grades k-5)**

**Recycling Gallatin Gateway**

**Youth Sustainability and the Environment Summit (High School)**

**GYG Summer Camp (Grades 1-5)**

**Summer Scholarship Programs ((Grades 1-12)**

**Trail Maintenance**

**Boo Bash (funder)**

**Holiday Meals for Elderly**

**Montana Shakes**

**Blue Bird House Project**

**Trail planting and landscaping**

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