



WE HAVE

HOPE

FOR THE FUTURE

Van Go-zette // SPRING 2020

We hope you and your loved ones are in good health and spirits. We wanted to take a minute to let you know that the Van Go family is still working, still creating, and still going strong.

We've adapted our programming to a remote work model via phone, work-at-home art and culinary kits, and coming soon-- Van ZOOM. We continue to assess our youth's immediate and on-going needs and connect them to community resources as needed.

Many of our marginalized constituents already live with the uncertainty that accompanies poverty and mental illness. The current situation compounds these issues. Through these challenging times, we remain steadfast in our commitment to youth, our community, and maintain an unwavering belief in hope for the future.

We are grateful for your generous support. Thank you for sharing our commitment to young people; it makes a profound difference....especially now.

Program Update



Spring **JAMS** participants (ages 14-18) jumped at the chance to participate in our new remote **APART with ART** initiative that has them making cards (and more) with messages of care, support, and gratitude that will be delivered to front-line workers and community members in need of a colorful dose of encouragement.

The **Arts Train** group (ages 18-24) is currently working from home with art and culinary kits safely delivered to their doorsteps. Staff and Teaching Artists Raven Naramore,

Alicia Kelly, Ann Dean, have developed amazing lesson plans that are keeping these young adults creatively engaged and employed.



Van Go Mission: To improve the lives of high needs teens using art as the vehicle for self confidence, self expression, and HOPE for the future.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

[Food Resources](#)

[Know Your Rights: Evictions and Foreclosures During Covid-19](#)

Upcoming Events

In lieu of our annual Culinary Hearts event, we're putting together a virtual community concert which will premiere on You Tube and social media channels on Friday, May 1.

The concert will feature special performances by area musicians Calvin Arsenia, Arthur Dodge, Heidi Gluck, Jon Fitzgerald, & Approach. PLUS an online auction.

The concert is free and donations are encouraged.



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