

**To:** City School Liaison Committee  
**From:** City Staff  
**Date:** June 17, 2021  
**Subject:** City and Schools Collaborations Follow Up Discussion

At the March 25, 2021 City School Liaison Committee, the Committee started to review existing collaborations that exist between the City of Palo Alto (the City) and the Palo Alto Unified School District (PAUSD) for serving the needs of youth and families. The initial list of categories of collaborations were included in the memo contained online (<https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/files/assets/public/agendas-minutes-reports/at-places-memo/03-25-21-cslc-at-places-memo-item-5.pdf>). The Committee continued the conversation at the May 20, 2021 meeting with the City staff providing [an updated memo](#) with additional context about the programs offered by the City. The Committee asked the School District to fill in programs within applicable categories.

The information below is that additional information in **red** from the School District for the Committee to review and provide guidance on future discussion scheduling of these items. This is still not an exhaustive list but is additional information adding to the initial lists mentioned above.

#### **Transportation and Planning:**

- Student travel safety
  - o Safe Routes to School – 21+ years
    - City program management, education, contracts
    - Schools facility use
    - Ongoing informal support from the District
    - Ongoing parent engagement – City /School Traffic Safety Liaison Committee
  - o Crossing Guards – 10-20 years
    - Warrants and analysis
    - City contract management
- Shuttle buses (10-20 years – discontinued in FY 2021)
- Railroad grade separations and bike/ped improvements
  - o Ongoing implementation of pedestrian and bicycle improvements (e.g., South Palo Alto bikeways project, SRTS CIP).
  - o Process mapping opportunity
  - o District and community engagement

#### **Youth Mental Health:**

- o Project Safety Net youth mental health
- o Care Solace (online resource with a live, multilingual Care Concierge meant to assist individuals in finding local mental health-related programs and counseling services).
- o On-site Wellness Centers
- o PAUSD Telehealth Services
- o Asian American Community Involvement (ACCI) – Individual, group, and family therapy; Substance Abuse
- o Contracted services through three mental health agencies ([Cassy/Acknowledge Alliance/ Family and Children's Services](#)) at the elementary level and one mental health agency (CASSY) at the secondary level, to offer free, comprehensive site-based counseling supports to students.

**Teen Leadership Programs:**

- Palo Alto Youth Council and Teen Advisory Board
- Other programming for teens at community centers and libraries
- District programs

**Recreation:**

- Middle school athletics
- School playing fields after hour rental, management and maintenance
- **PAUSD InPlay – comprehensive collaborative community effort to develop a citywide network of quality summer and after school learning opportunities.**

**Libraries and Community Services:**

- Libraries
  - o Partnership between school and City librarians (e.g., sharing Summer Reading Program materials at schools)
  - o Career services – 2 years
  - o Student Library ID as City Library Card partnership – 4-6 years
- Community Centers
  - o Cubberley (MakeX maker space)
  - o Mitchell (the Drop-in Teen Center)
- Art Programs – 10-21+ years
  - o Youth Art Exhibit at Art Center
  - o Project Look – Partnership for Art Center School Tour Program
  - o Cultural Kaleidoscope Program – Art Center artists in classroom art instruction
  - o Dance in Schools – dance programming in schools
  - o Teen Arts
  - o Children’s Theatre – Outreach and Theatre in elementary schools
- Junior Museum and Zoo – science education (10-21+ years)
- Childcare
  - o Palo Alto Community Child Care
  - o **Right At School**

**Safety:**

- School Resource Officers (onsite officers, safety trainings, etc.) – 30 years; discontinued FY 2021
- Ongoing communication with schools and District (special events, investigations, major case support, etc.)
- Emergency Services support
- **School site emergency plans**