

## **CAPP Summary Update**

The Pacifica Surf Permit has been a critical resource in our ability to deliver on our mission to provide equitable access to outdoor spaces, particularly the ocean, for public school youth in San Francisco. City Surf Project serves an incredibly diverse population of youth: 87% come from BIPOC backgrounds, 55% male and 43% female, and ages 6-23 (over 60% are between 14-17). We have maintained partnerships with schools for as long as 7 years now while continuing to bring new schools in. We currently work with Mission HS, Balboa HS, Burton HS, Independence HS, Ida B. Wells HS, Leadership HS, O'Connell HS, and Aptos MS. In 2021 City Surf Project was able to take 300 distinct youth to the beach and learn how to surf. Many of these students came out multiple times and logged almost 100 hours at the beach for some of our most engaged participants. This permit allowed us to conduct approximately 200 surf days with youth with nearly 80% of those sessions at Linda Mar Beach. We run program Mondays-Fridays with the occasional Saturday primarily between 1pm -5pm. Our programming is also year-round as we focus on our academic partnerships during the school years while opening the door to other community-based organizations in the summer.

We have achieved incredible success with our programs over the year and evaluated this through surveys and impact testimony from our participants. Our survey results showed that students developed a stronger sense of belonging in the ocean and began to see themselves as surfers through participation in our programs. As we look towards the future and expanding the incredible impact of our programs, this permit stands as a milestone achievement in ensuring the capacity of City Surf Project and similar organizations to provide youth of every background the opportunity to benefit from these amazing public spaces.

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