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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Spooky Sewing Workshop

Brooke led this festive workshop where everyone created their own unique Halloween items! Participants practiced with the sewing machines while they brought their unique ideas to life.



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TAGS gets a New Mural



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Resilience Hubs Initiative

TAGS is excited to be partnering with other local organizations and supporting San Leandro's Resilience Hubs Initiative. More details will be shared as we move forward with this project.



Wed - Sat | 12 PM - 6 PM Sunday | 12 PM - 4 PM 1711 E 14th Street San Leandro, CA 94577



WHERE TEENS FEEL EMPOWERED TO CREATE NEW THINGS AND TO LEAN INTO CURIOSITY

WHAT'S UPCOMING

Pumpkin Carving Workshop

October 29 Session I: 1-3pm

SessionII: 3-5pm

Sam and Bryan are hosting a widely requested pumpkin carving workshop! They will demonstrate some of their creative and useful skills.

Sewing Workshop

November 19 1-5PM

Brooke is leading another popular sewing workshop. Brooke is great at adapting her teaching techniques to best match the pace and ability of the student. Project TBD

Young Adult Open Studio

November 26TAGS is having our first Young
Adult Open Studio for ages
18-24! Come create
and meet new people!

Green Friday & Small Biz Saturday

November 25-27 (More on page 2) Two great reasons to shop at TAGS! Come shop fashion sustainably while supporting a local small business.





SPOTLIGHT

Reuse & Repair Stakeholders Meeting

Cam and Lynn had the opportunity to attend the Reuse and Repair Stakeholder meeting hosted by Reuse People, Habitat for Humanity Restore and Bio Link Depot. We engaged with great people in the community, working together to build a healthier, more sustainable Earth.



New Mural

Team member Bryan has been a part of the TAGS family since earlier this summer. We first met Bryan at a crystal wrapping workshop in fall 2021. After seeing his creative talent, we offered him the opportunity to lead a variety of workshops around jewelry making and upcycling t-shirts. Now, Bryan works at TAGS every week and takes on other creative endeavors as well.



Bryan shared his idea of adding a mural to our creative studio, which had been sporting blank white walls since the store first opened. This month, Bryan put his ideas into action and started a beautiful design combining his love of mandalas with our TAGS logo. Other team members have been showing their love for TAGS by adding their own unique touches to the piece. We're grateful to Bryan for brightening the space with his beautiful art. We can't wait to see the finished piece and will be sure to share it with all of you.

Green Friday Sale!

By popular demand, our Green Friday Sale is back this year! The entire store will be 25% off from November 25th - 27th. Green Friday can be a sustainable alternative to Black Friday. Buying second-hand gives life to clothing that otherwise may have been thrown into landfills.



Small Business Saturday November 26

Small Business Saturday is a day to celebrate and support small businesses and all they do for their communities. Consider shopping local on this day.

By shopping at TAGS, not only are you supporting our small business, but you are also contributing to building a greener, more sustainable world. When you choose to purchase resued instead of new, rapidlyproduced clothing, you're helping to combat fast fashion.





HOW YOU CAN HELP

Giving Tuesday - November 29, 2022

Giving Tuesday is the biggest day in nonprofit fundraising. It is a National Day of Giving to celebrate nonprofits and support their missions. Numerous nonprofits are working extremely hard to assist the community we live in and provide much needed services that otherwise may not be available. TAGS has had an amazing year! We have provided tools and resources and taught skills to our young community. TAGS is a second home for many, a safe space for teens and young adults to embrace their creativity and individuality. We've hosted dozens of free workshops and have served hundreds of young people through our programs and thrift store. This year alone, TAGS has done over one ton of waste diversion, keeping clothing in circulation for longer.

On this Giving Tuesday, please consider making a donation to TAGS or another nonprofit that's dear to your heart.

Provide Funding for TAGS

Thank you for your interest in supporting TAGS. We appreciate you! **To make a direct donation, simply click the blue "Donate" button at the end of this email below**. It will take you to the donate page of our website where you have the option to donate via Venmo, Paypal or credit card.

You can also access our webiste using this link: www.teenadvocacy.org/donate-now

Donations by check can be mailed to: Teen Advocacy Going Strong 1711E 14th St, San Leandro, CA 94577

Donate Needed Items

Do you have clothes you would like to get rid of? TAGS is in need of the following gently used items:

- Relaxed-fit jeans and trousers
- Cargo pants
- Graphic tees
- Gently worn sneakers
- Platform shoes
- Boots
- Sweaters and sweater vests
- Coats and jackets

We accept donations Wed - Sat, 12-6pm.

Join a Committee

Would you like to put your skills to work and help a great cause? Then join one of our committees (info@teenadvocacy.org):

- Fundraising plan events and raise funds with us
- Marketing & PR help us spread our message
- Programs- assist in planning workshops & teen events
- Admin put your organizational skills to work

It's a wonderful way to support TAGS and have fun connecting with your community!

Tribute to Terry Leavitt

Lastly, we would like to take a moment to remember one of our donors in the community, Terry Leavitt. Not only has Terry made a difference in the lives of numerous young people through her generosity and support of our organization and mission, she has touched many more people through her love, strength and sense of humor. Terry passed away on October 10th and was surrounded by her family. Her light will live on in all those who were lucky enough to know her.

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