



Commission on Children and Youth

December 10, 2025, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting on Teams

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Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions (6:30 – 6:40 PM | 10 min)

- Michael Jiménez, Chair
- Roll call and approval of minutes
- Brief overview of agenda and meeting goals

2. Guest Speaker: Co-Founder and Executive Director of Identity Inc., a Montgomery County nonprofit (6:40 – 7:25 PM | 45 min including Q&A)

Topic: *“Strengthening Youth Resilience and Community Partnerships”*

About Deigo Uriburu:

Deigo Uriburu is the co-founder and Executive Director of Identity, Inc., a Montgomery County nonprofit that serves Latino and other historically underserved youth and families. He is a longtime advocate for equity, education, and youth empowerment, with over two decades of experience building programs that improve academic achievement, mental health, and civic engagement among young people.

Session Focus:

- Emerging challenges facing Montgomery County youth
- Strategies for building resilience and belonging
- The role of collaboration between nonprofits, schools, and county agencies
- Where are the holes in our “resilience” model

3. The Path Here and Looking Ahead (7:20 – 7:50 PM | 30-45 min)

- General to specific - How to be an effective commission, what is “resilience” as academic topic, what is our county doing with resilience, and today, how are our nonprofit partners helping us create resilient youth
- Where do we see the issues in what we have seen? What seems to be working well? What is not?
- What voices do we need to hear?
- Potential invitees:
 - Safe space funding challenges
 - Nonprofit funders in this space - what do they see/need
 - Sum Street Outreach
 - Pam Brown - researcher in Anne Arundel County/needs assessment
 - MoCo Pride Center - resources
 - Needs of youth with disabilities to be more resilient
 - Bridges to Thriving - Darling Hammond
 - Needs of Black youth to thrive -Ms. Ahmad - NAACP

Goal: Finalize next 1–2 invited speakers for early 2025 meetings.

4. Youth Voice Roundtable Update (7:50 – 8:10 PM | 10-20 min)

- Report from Youth Commissioners and planning team
- Confirm date, format, and outreach strategy
- Identify adult commissioner support roles

5. Dworkin Award (8:10 – 8:25 PM | 10-15 min)

- Do we want to do this?
- If so, who will be on the subcommittee?

7. Public Comment and Closing Remarks (8:25 – 8:30 PM | 5 min)

- Open forum for members and guests
- Next meeting date and adjournment

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