



**CITY OF BETHEL**  
Parks & Recreation Department  
Bethel Youth Center & 4-H Program  
P.O. Box 1388  
Bethel, Alaska 99559

*Celebrating 50 Years of Service*

August, 2007

Dear Parents and guardians,

The Bethel Youth Center & 4-H Program is a City of Bethel program coordinated by the Parks & Recreation Department staff.

The Youth Center is a drop off program facility for youth from Kindergarten to 6<sup>th</sup> grade, after school until 5:30 PM Monday through Friday, on Saturdays from noon until 5:30 PM., and during school vacations and holidays from noon to 5:30 PM every day except Sunday. We do sign youth in after school but we can not make your children stay at the Youth Center and we are not responsible if and when they leave the facility.

The monthly program fee is only \$10 a month per child.

The Youth Center staff is committed to the best possible care for your child/children. There are a variety of regularly scheduled activities available for your child/children to participate in during the school year-cooking, sewing, arts and crafts, video and board games. We have a fooball, air hockey, ping pong and bumper pool games. We have a big screen TV and prime cable, which is donated by GCI. We also have a library and reading center. Free snacks will be provided during the school year in a program partnership with the state of Alaska and Diabetes Prevention.

If you have children who are in need of more personal attention on a constant basis, you might want to consider providing personal child care services for your child/children in your own home or at a different facility

During the summer months, the number of youth participants is significantly less than during the winter where we may have up to 100 youth a day after school during the snow season, especially when the temperatures can be below zero.

If you have any questions, or need to talk to me, or to Mark Celaya, the Youth Center Program Specialist please feel free to give us a call. I can be reached at 543-2248 or [jathanas@cityofbethel.net](mailto:jathanas@cityofbethel.net). Mark can be reached at 543-2088 or [mcelaya@cityofbethel.net](mailto:mcelaya@cityofbethel.net).

Sincerely,

Janet C. Athanas, Director

