Alma Gonzalez:

Alma Gonzalez is 18 years old. She lives with her mother and four other siblings.

She heard about AYE through the UCLA Summer. She was placed at EL Santo Nino to supervise and monitor the hours for the community service workers in addition to helping the Summer Camp children with their activities.

In the future, Alma wants to finish college and graduate by 2015 or 2016 from California State University, Northridge. After graduation, she hopes to find a steady job to earn money for a car.

Jasmine Reyes:

Jasmine Reyes is 17 years old. She is a senior at Santee Education Complex and plans to graduate in June 2014. She lives with her mother and 5 brothers and sisters (4 brothers, and 1 sister).

Her mother saw an AYE Flyer and encouraged her to apply for the Summer Program to gain work experience and earn money for school.

She was assigned to work at El Santo Nino and got the opportunity to do activities with the kids that attend the community center. She also monitored the number of hours worked by Community Services Workers. She learned how to work with children and adults.

Upon graduation, Jasmine plans to get accepted to a four year college. She also plans to work part-time to help pay for school.

Wendy Guerrero:

Wendy Guerrero is 16 years old. She is an 11th grade student and lives with her 2 sisters, 1 brother and her mother who is a single parent. Her father pasted away when I was 2 years old.

My sister told me about AYE while working at El Santo Nino Community Center.

While at El Santo Nino her duties were to keep track of the hours being completed by the community service workers and provided supervision of children during activities.

From this experience, Wendy has learned how to communicate with others and to think positive.

Wendy's future goals are to graduate high school and go to college and become a cosmetologist.