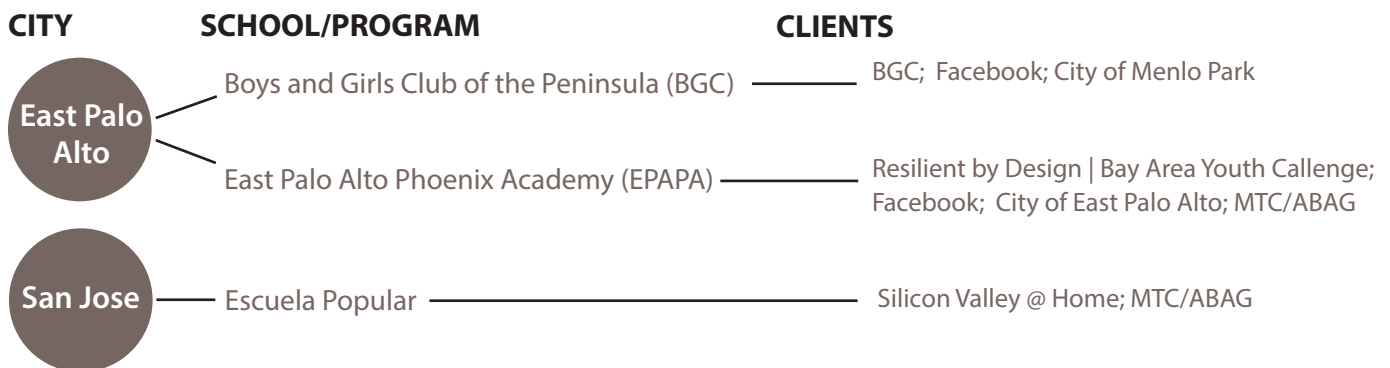


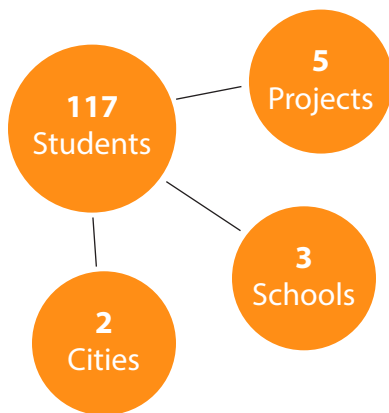
## OVERVIEW

As the cost of living in Silicon Valley continues to rise, communities in the South Bay and Peninsula are gentrifying, and low income residents of color are being displaced. Since 2017, the [Center for Cities + Schools](#) has partnered with the Urban Displacement Project, local cities, and Facebook, implementing the [Y-PLAN Initiative](#) to engage young people to stabilize communities.

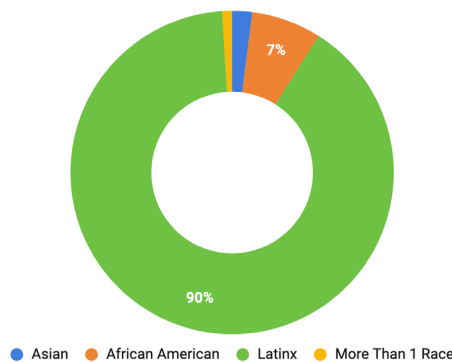
Students from San Jose, East Palo Alto, Redwood City, Menlo Park, and North Fair Oaks, in collaboration with University research teams, have leveraged their first hand community knowledge to map current housing conditions, conduct hundreds of surveys and dozens of interviews. Proposing housing strategies from ADUs to home repair assistance, from preservation of affordable units to community land trusts, Y-PLAN student scholars have presented their vision at Menlo Park and East Palo Alto City Halls, UC Berkeley, and Facebook. These young people are stewards of the future, inspiring change and calling for adults to learn from today as they plan for tomorrow.



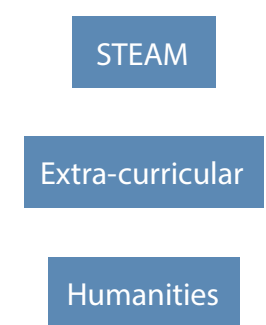
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## DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN



## CLASS SUBJECT



## HIGHLIGHTS

*Y-PLAN Scholars have:*

- Prepared Y-PLAN policy briefs to share their vision and recommendations
- Created digital [Story Maps](#) to display their research process, findings, and proposals
- **Served as research interns for UC Berkeley’s Center for Community Innovations** to collect data on local housing conditions and quality of life
- Were hired as summer research journalists to conduct interviews for **The Almanac’s** “Uneven Ground” series
- Been invited by San Mateo Housing Commissioner Karen Grove to local events and to meet local and national elected leaders