



# CENTRAL OREGON YFC

GIVE LIFE TO YOUR STORY

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Top: Treating our youth to a fabulous Thanksgiving feast! We saw over 30 teens on Monday, November 20th.

Bottom: This year is the first annual End-of-Year Fundraiser. Will you take the next step in partnership?



## What's New?

**-Receive your newsletter via email!** Visit our site to sign up.

**-Donate when you shop!** Visit the 'Get Involved' page on our site for info.

**-End of Year Fundraiser:** Through December, YFC staff and volunteers will be calling to talk to you about giving an end-of-year gift. This is part of our efforts to strengthen our chapter and connect with you, our family. We are asking you send us your phone number at our email (above) so we can share with you what we have done and the great ways these fund will be used. We are working to reach a \$3,000 matching gift!

Friends,

Have you every cooked a turkey before?

Sure, you were taught by your parents or you volunteered and family helped you. Well, that wasn't how I learned, and cooking a 30 pound turkey right out the gate is not what I would recommend as a crash test.

We decided to host a Thanksgiving dinner for teens on November 20th at City Life. Our community came together to provide fixings for the meal, and one generous supporter gave us (without being asked) a whopping 30 pound turkey. It was a beast, and a blessing! However, I (with no experience) found myself as the cook for the turkey. I have never had such anxiety about making a meal before.

However, with the help of Google, my wife, and God's grace, we figured out how to successfully make a turkey. With the help of four selfless, dedicated, and hardworking volunteers we somehow pulled off a great Thanksgiving dinner. No food was ruined, it all left at the end of the night, we got started on time, and the room was full of happy, eating teens. That wasn't even the best part, though.

That night we saw over 30 teens sitting at our tables, eating, laughing, and joking together. The churched, unchurched, regular attendees, and new students all in one room. This is the most kids we have seen since I've arrived, and it's not the numbers that excite me, but it's the fact that over 30 teens sat with us and enjoyed Thanksgiving. We don't know how many, but we do know some of those kids didn't get a Thanksgiving dinner. Some didn't even have their family, even parents, around for a meal.

On November 20th, 2017, Central Oregon YFC stood in the gap, God gave His blessing on our plans, and a bunch of teens spent an evening in loving community. These are the moments we work, donate, volunteer, and pray for. May we never forget who provides for us and makes all these things possible, and more.

Grace and Peace,

*Zach Lewis*

Executive Director  
Central Oregon  
YFC



Join us this Winter in Moving  
Central Oregon YFC Forward

## END-OF-YEAR FUNDRAISER

November-December



## Drop-In

Mondays 8-10 a.m. and Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:45-5:15 p.m., at 18 SE D Street in Madras. Enjoy our rock wall, play pool, air-hockey, video games, and do homework. On Mondays we serve breakfast. It is a great time to hang out before and after school.



## CITY LIFE®

Mondays 3:45-6, at the Free Methodist Church, there is food, games, and a discussion about God, His Word, and how we fit into God's story today. The church is located at 976 S. Adams Drive in Madras.



## CAMPUS LIFE®

Wednesdays 1:30-3, at Culver High School, there is food, games, and a discussion God, His Word, and how we fit into God's story. We are in room 3, and the school is located at 710 5th Street in Culver.

### Upcoming Events!

- End of Year Fundraiser: November - December
- Ugly Sweater Christmas Party [December 18th]
- Heights Winter Camp [January 13-15]

Visit our site for more details on all upcoming events!

### Central Oregon YFC on the web!

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/centraloregonyfc/>

**Instagram:** centraloryfc

**Twitter:** @CentralORYFC

**Website:** <http://centraloregonyfc.org/>

### More moments from the last month



From left: That is one big turkey (can for comparison), getting sneaky during a game of sardines (can you spot the teens?), and there is nothing quite like a pie to the face (sorry, Martin).

### Financial Support:



Central Oregon Youth for Christ is 100% dependent on donor support. Everything we do is because of people's partnership with this ministry. If you are currently supporting us I want to take this opportunity and say thank you. Because of your generosity, *you* are able to impact lives of young people. Our vision is to be a vibrant light in our youth culture today. Please pray with us as we pursue making this dream a reality.