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**Juneau Community Foundation's Youth Action Committee Funds Activities to Promote High School Success**

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Juneau, Alaska--The Juneau Community Foundation's Youth Action Committee (YAC) is pleased announce its 2013-2014 grants for its 2013 grant focus: promote success in high school by educating teen on a variety of post-secondary opportunities available for high school graduates.

The YAC members granted more than \$1,500 to two organizations in Juneau to provide activities to promote high school and post secondary school success. These programs are helpful to students trying to think through what they might do after high school.

YAC granted \$1,000 to Southeast Road Runners' Lynn Canal Running Camp, a summer running camp for Southeast teens. The grant will be used to help keep the camp affordable to its participants and to increase the number of participants in 2014.

YAC also granted Perseverance Theatre \$500 to support their first summer of Theatre in the Wild aimed at youth involvement in the arts. The grant will give life to this program and make it available for Juneau teens.

The YAC has also selected the area that they would like to award grants in fall 2014 – “promoting outdoor recreation through youth based activities and education.” This year’s grant theme focuses on efforts to ensure our teens are given the outdoor skills to live and play here in southeast Alaska, during high school and throughout their lives.

The Youth Action Committee raises the funds to support grants in this area by giving presentations to organizations and businesses. The YAC would like to hear from organization that are interested in receiving a presentation; please contact Zach Kohan at 586-4102.

For more information about YAC please contact Zach Kohan (907) 586-4102, for the Juneau Community Foundation please contact Amy Skilbred at (907) 523-5450, or visit JCF on the web at [www.juneaucf.org](http://www.juneaucf.org).

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