

# “Good Vibrations”

## WELCOME HOME TO THE MUSIC OF THE BEACH BOYS

Thirty years ago, in 1975, the Beach Boys released the album *“American Spirit”*. One song named *“A Young Man Is Gone”* mournfully told the story of a talented young person who died tragically **without cause**.

**This is something we have seen all too often these days.**

That same year, the Centinela Youth Services (then called the Centinela Valley Juvenile Diversion) was started by the City of Hawthorne in collaboration with the Cities of Inglewood, Lawndale and Gardena and the County of Los Angeles.

Back in 1975, CYS’s shaped its mission to create a community where young men and young women could enjoy their growth and development into adulthood. You know – “Good Vibrations”. **Life with a cause** not Death without cause.

Maybe the founders of CYS were listening to that song “A Young Man is Gone” on the radio, while they drove to those founding meetings, back in the days. Today we salute the boys and girls, men and women who down through the years planted, watered, nurtured, sprouted and pruned so that CYS grew into a place where youth and families could blossom.

So CYS **says thanks** to the Boys from Hawthorne who gave our community those “Good Vibrations”



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