

## **Crystal Parra**

*Service Planning Area 2*

Placement Location: Zev Yaroslavsky  
Family Support Center



Crystal Alexandra Parra is a junior at Vaughn International Studies Academy in Pacoima, CA. Crystal plays on the varsity softball team at her school. She takes pride in being a student athlete and interacting with different teammates. Aside from sports, she likes to work on school projects, and getting involved in different community outreaches and social advocacy efforts in her neighborhood. Crystal also enjoys donating blood to Providence Holy Cross Hospital to help people who will be in need. Crystal has also volunteered at a local elementary school as an assistant coach for 4th- and 5th-grade cheerleader athletes to help them perform in local school competitions.

One of Crystal's most rewarding experiences thus far has been getting through the challenges of her third year of high school. Another proud accomplishment has been successfully passing her driving test, which has allowed her to drive her brothers and herself to school everyday. Crystal is exploring her future career goals but has interests in working with the FBI detective or the equine industry to work with horses. Crystal hopes that being part of the Youth Advisory Council will help her gain more leadership skills and discover different ways to help make her community a better and safer place.