



The Latest News from GCY!



2026 Expeditions are Open!

All of our 2026 expeditions are now open. Youth (aged 11-19) nationwide can register online. Have an unforgettable experience rafting on the San Juan or Colorado River this summer! Educational, super fun, friendly, and screen-free!

[Register Here](#)

Successful & Inspiring Event

Stories from GCY's 7th annual *River Tales: An Evening of Storytelling* are up on YouTube. Watch or rewatch amazing river stories from Jeffe Aronson, Amy Martin, Delaney Cook, Tyler Williams, Michelle Grua, and Mariah Zavala. Thanks to you, River Tales 2025 raised over \$50,000 for youth!

[Watch River Stories](#)





The One Who Said No

20 years later, parent Katy Sechrist reflects on the impact of what GCY did for her daughter, who at the time, was very reluctant to go on a river expedition.

[Read Blog Post](#)

Training for 2026 Already!

Office and field staff attended an all-day training on trauma-informed care. Instructors from Northland Family Help Center shared tools to help GCY create environments where everyone can feel safe, respected, and empowered. What important skills to use on and off the river!



Backyard Cleanup

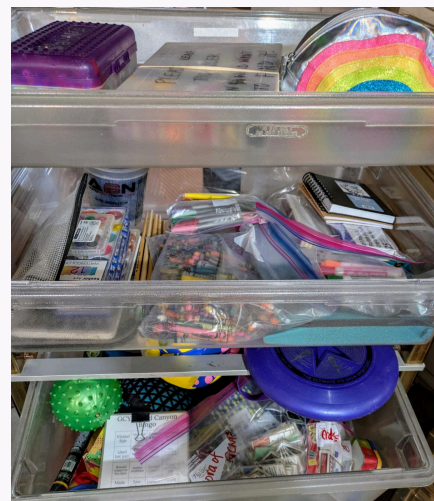
With support from the City of Flagstaff's Beautification in Action Grant program and Morning Dew landscaping, GCY is taking on the task of beautifying our outdoor space. We are focusing on the north side of our building, working to improve curb appeal for our Sunnyside neighbors, hundreds of youth and families who meet at GCY, and field staff who use GCY as a seasonal base.

Dear Santa

Planning and budgeting for next year are well underway, and there are a few things we don't really *need* but really *want* for our 2026 season— like volleyballs! Check out our updated Wishlist!

Keep us in mind if you are taking advantage of Black Friday deals, Cyber-Monday steals, and Giving Tuesday zeal. Your holiday giving is guaranteed to make our 2026 youth participants cheer!

[See Wishlist](#)





Come Say Hi to GCY

Mark your calendars for the regional premieres of *Granite Rapids Moon*, the first narrative feature film ever to shoot the majority of its footage inside the Grand Canyon. (They backpacked in all the camera equipment!) Watch trailer [here](#).

- 7pm on Monday 12/15 at Old Town Center for the Arts in Cottonwood, AZ
- 7pm on Wednesday 12/17 at Theatrikos in Flagstaff, AZ
- 4pm & 7pm on Thursday 12/18 at Mary Fisher Theater in Sedona, AZ

This is a family-friendly romantic drama set in the Grand Canyon that we think you might enjoy, and a chunk of the box office proceeds come back to GCY. Tickets are \$9-\$13. Bring friends and family! More folks attending means more money raised for GCY.

Upcoming Events

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