

Kina Desai is a 16-year-old junior at Mira Costa High School. She is interested in history, math, politics, and environmental science. Outside of school, Kina is a coxswain for the Marina Aquatics Center Junior Rowing/Crew Team. She is very passionate about addressing climate change and environmental issues. Kina is the project lead on the international organization Youth Climate Action Team and has worked on projects to raise awareness and advocate for climate justice. Additionally, she is on the ACLU SoCal Youth Liberty Squad, which works to fight for civil liberties of students and youth. Kina is the Co-Chair for the Beach Cities Youth Advisory Council which works to better the health and well-being of youth in the community. She enjoys traveling and reading in order to learn more about different places, situations, and cultures. Always following current events, Kina enjoys the Model United Nations and international affairs, particularly learning how issues vary in impact, severity, or effect around the world. Her future goals are to attend college and continue pursuing interests in advocacy, politics, international affairs, environmental justice, social justice, philanthropy, entrepreneurship, leadership, and more.