



PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO 2016-17 PLACER COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION



THE FOLLOWING IS PUBLIC INFORMATION

BACKGROUND

The Placer County Youth Commission is an Advisory Board to the Board of Supervisors, dedicated to promoting the youth voice in local government and decision-making. Founded in 2009, the Youth Commission is made up of eighteen youth of diverse backgrounds who care about the Placer County community and have a drive to make our community the best possible place for youth. Members are supported by an adult advisor from Placer County Health and Human Services.

BENEFITS OF BEING A YOUTH COMMISSIONER

- Learn about the local government process first hand.
- Learn how to make change in your community through the existing government.
- Play an active role in improving the services, programs, and opportunities provided for youth in the county.
- Be a leader in your community working to create positive change.
- Gain valuable skills in community organizing.
- Gain experience and skills that will be beneficial to you in college or the workplace.
- Have fun and meet new friends.

ELIGIBILITY

- Placer County residents between 14 (or entering 9th grade) to 21 years of age.
- Commissioners will need to commit to a one-year term from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.
- An individual may sit for a maximum of four terms, except that anyone who turns 22 years of age during their term may not be re-appointed.
- Membership shall consist of at least one representative from each of the five supervisory districts in Placer County.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Complete and submit application by May, 18th, 2016.
2. Applicants under consideration for a position will receive an interview with the nominating committee composed of the Adult Advisors, youth from the community, and/or adult(s) from supporting community agencies. Interviews will occur in early June, 2016. (Please contact us if earlier interview needed)
3. The Commission will recommend new members to the Placer County Board of Supervisors who then make the appointments in July.
4. You will be notified of decisions by the end of July, 2016.

TIME COMMITMENTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

1. **Trainings:** Trainings will occur in late August. Dates and times to be determined. Training focuses on getting to know your fellow Commissioners, roles and responsibilities, community research, creating community change, and parliamentary procedure.
2. **Meetings:** There are two meetings a month (September-May): First meeting is generally held on the 1st Wednesday of each month from 6:00-8:00pm in the Board of Supervisors Chambers (Auburn) and the second meeting held at a time and date to be determined upon appointment of the *Commissioners (generally will be the 3rd Wed. of month at Rocklin Library)*
3. **Subcommittees:** Each Commissioner is required to serve on one subcommittee. These committees work on special projects, events, and activities related to their area of interest.
4. **Special Events & Fundraisers:** All Commissioners are expected to actively participate in all special events and fundraisers that the Youth Commission supports or offers.
5. **General Behavior:** Commissioners are expected to maintain a high level of behavior and citizenship in school and in the community. Commissioners represent Placer County and should behave accordingly.



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ON PLACER COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION

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NAME: _____

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE: _____

To find out which district you reside in, go to <http://www.placer.ca.gov/bos>

AGE: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____ GRADE (Fall 2016): _____ SCHOOL (Fall 2016): _____

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS OPPORTUNITY? _____

INTEREST/ EXPERIENCE/ BACKGROUND:

PLEASE PROVIDE ANSWERS TO THE REQUIRED QUESTIONS ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER AND ATTACH (or if possible go to www.placeryouth.com for online form submission)

- 1) Please describe any personal talents, skills and experiences you feel would benefit the Youth Commission.
- 2) We are interested in youth of diverse background. What personal life experiences, interests, and/or background will help you connect with and/or represent youth from various backgrounds.
- 3) What specific youth or community issues would you like to see addressed by the commission? Do you have any ideas on how you might address those issues?
- 4) What makes you a good leader? Describe a situation (school, family, community, peers) where you had to use your leadership skills. What did you accomplish?
- 5) What known activities or commitment will you have from July 2016 to June 2017, especially during afterschool and weekend hours?

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED IN PERSON, MAIL, FAX, OR EMAIL **BY MIDNIGHT, MAY 18, 2015.**

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APPLICATION WILL BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND RETAINED FOR TWO YEARS

DATE: _____ YOUTH SIGNATURE _____

I hereby give my child permission to apply for selection as a commissioner on the Placer County Youth Commission...

DATE: _____ PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

(IF UNDER AGE 18)

Complete your contact information below– (will be confidential and for Placer County staff use only)

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBERS: HOME: _____ CELL: _____

E-MAIL: _____ FAX: _____