



**FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

VOLUNTEER POSITION

Ann Arbor YMCA

Volunteer Job Title: Youth in Government Program Volunteer

Date of Post: 8/1/2019

Reports to: Youth in Government Program Coordinator

Department: Teen

PROGRAM SUMMARY:

Youth in Government (YIG) is a comprehensive program offering middle school and high school students across Washtenaw and Southern Livingston counties practical experience in the study of state and local government. YIG consists of weekly meetings and opportunities to participate in local and/or state conferences. Participants learn about local and state governmental processes, legislative bill writing, advocacy through legislation, parliamentary procedure, participate in mock trial debate, hear from local and state leaders, and learn how to strategically implement policy to impact communities.

POSITION SUMMARIES:

- **YIG Adult Advisor**
The YIG Adult Advisor will have direct responsibility over their middle school or high school delegations as well as responsibilities to the overall program implementation. YIG Adult Advisor will work directly with YIG Coordinator and Teen and Volunteer Director to deliver YIG program curriculum, assist with administrative duties, and serve as a Michigan Youth in Government Advisor at local and state conferences.
- **YIG Ambassador (High school-aged volunteer)**
The YIG Ambassador will work directly with YIG Coordinator in supporting implementation of YIG program curriculum to middle school aged youth participating in YIG. YIG Ambassadors will work with middle school delegates on bill writing, parliamentary procedure, debate strategies, etc.
- **YIG Guest Speaker or Workshop Facilitator**
The Ann Arbor Y Youth in Government Program seeks volunteer guest speakers or workshop facilitators who have direct experience working to create social change via local advocacy, legislation, and governmental collaboration.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Available during program hours (typically after school and/or on weekends)
- Complete state and national background check, child abuse and prevention online training (Offered by Ann Arbor Y)
- Complete Ann Arbor Y Volunteer Application and Required Paperwork

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Independent, self-motivated work style
- Excellent follow-through and strong organization skills
- Outgoing, friendly and able to multitask
- Experience working with middle and high school age youth
- Passion for helping youth succeed
- Dedicated to civic service and social justice

REQUIRED TRAININGS:

- Volunteer Orientation and Training, Monday, September 16, 6:00 – 7:30 pm, Ann Arbor Y (For all YIG Adult Advisors and YIG Ambassadors)
- Child Abuse and Prevention Online Training (90 minutes)

CONTACT:

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