

# YOUTH LEADERS OF SAINT PAUL,

Do you want Saint Paul to be the BEST city in America to grow-up in?

# Have your voice heard by joining the: Saint Paul Youth Commission



## **Involvement Includes:**

- Leading community projects that matter to you; tackling serious issues by designing creative solutions.
- Ensure the views of youth are heard by city officials, state legislators and the community at large and play a key decision making role.
- Help fund other youth in your communities to start innovative projects through YouthBank.
- Strengthen your leadership skills, expand your network, and build your power!

## Membership details:

- The Youth Commission is a collection of 22 young leaders from neighborhoods all over Saint Paul.
- Youth Commissioners must be enrolled in 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade during the 2016-2017 school year and reside in Saint Paul.
- The Youth Commission meets every Monday night and needs members who can regularly attend and actively participate.
- Interested youth must submit an application and attend an interview.
- Applicants living in Battle Creek/Sunray, Como, Merriam Park/Lex-Ham, Frogtown, West 7<sup>th</sup>/Downtown, West Side, East Side, Highland, Mac-Groveland, North End/Rice Street preferred.

## Apply and join the Youth Commission today!

Questions? Contact Tabitha Mitchell Tabitha.mitchell@ci.stpaul.mn.us or 651-247-5538. Or download the application from <u>www.stpaul.gov/youthcommission</u>

# Saint Paul Youth Commission Application Directions

#### **STEP ONE:**

Fill out the Background Form & Compile the TWO application letters

- 1. Letter of Intent
- 2. Letter of Recommendation

#### **STEP TWO:**

Submit your Background Form & Application Letters by June 15<sup>th</sup> to:

Tabitha Mitchell City Hall Annex #400 25 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street Saint Paul, MN 55102

#### Or email to: tabitha.mitchell@ci.stpaul.mn.us

#### **STEP THREE:**

Participate in an interview led by veteran Youth Commissioners in the month of June.

#### **STEP FOUR:**

Be able to attend an orientation in August!

Questions? Contact Tabitha Mitchell at 651-322-0629 or tabitha.mitchell@ci.stpaul.mn.us





# Saint Paul Youth Commission Background Form

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

#### (PLEASE PRINT – THANK YOU!)

Address:	Saint Paul, MN				
S	treet	С	ity	State	Zip Code
Home Phone Number:		Cell:			
Email:					
1) What school will	you go to d	luring the 2016-201	7 scho	ool year?	
2) Circle the grade y	ou will be	in during the 2016-	•2017 s	school yea	ar:
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade 10 <sup>th</sup>	<sup>h</sup> Grade	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	12 <sup>th</sup> Gr	ade	
3) If you know what	neighborl	nood you live in, ple	ease pi	ıt a check	a next to it below!
I'm not sure (T	hat's okay, w	ve will look it up!)			
Battle Creek/Su (or Highwood)	inray	Greater East Side			West Side
Dayton's Bluff		Payne-Phalen			_North End/Rice Street
Frogtown		Summit-University (or Summit Hill)	7		Como
West Seventh (or Downtown)		Hamline-Midway			_Merriam-Park (or Lex-Ham)
St. Anthony Pa	·k	Macalester-Grovela	and	]	Highland Park

## **Saint Paul Youth Commission** Application Letters



#### Letter of Intent

We want to get to know who you are!

Please write a 1-3 page letter explaining a little bit about yourself.

- Share what you spend your time doing and what you're passionate about.
- Tell us what your experience has been living in Saint Paul. What is unique about the city, what do you like, and what do you want to change?
- Then tell us what your personal strengths are and how you can incorporate them into your work with the Saint Paul Youth Commission.
- Finally conclude your letter with an overall goal for yourself, something you would like to accomplish with the Saint Paul Youth Commission, and explain how you believe accomplishing that goal will impact youth living in Saint Paul.

### Letter of Recommendation

This letter of Recommendation can be completed by an adult or peer in your life, someone who knows you well. This can be a teacher, counselor, friend, coach or classmate. Ask them to write you a letter which includes:

- How they know you.
- What sets you apart from other Saint Paul youth?
- What talents and abilities you would bring to the Youth Commission?
- Your level of commitment to things you're passionate about.
- What they have gained from having you in their life.