



**2016-2017
YOUTH IN PHILANTHROPY PROGRAM**

What is Youth in Philanthropy?

Youth in Philanthropy, YIP for short, is a program designed to offer high school students an opportunity to make a difference in their community while obtaining leadership skills that can be used throughout their lifetime.

Who Can Apply?

An applicant to the YIP program must be:

- a junior or senior attending a school in Fort Bend County;
- committed to the time required to participate in scheduled YIP activities; and
- desiring to learn more about the community in which they reside.

How do I apply to YIP?

All applications are submitted online using the application link found under Special Programs/ Youth in Philanthropy.

What is the time commitment to participate in YIP?

- YIP members are required to attend a **mandatory orientation scheduled for October 8, 2016, and may miss only one of the remaining sessions to remain an active member of the YIP program. All sessions run from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** The 2016-2017 session schedule is as follows:

SESSION SCHEDULE	
Orientation	10/08/2016
Volunteer Session #1	10/22/2016
Volunteer Session #2	11/05/2016
Volunteer Session #3	12/03/2016
Volunteer Session #4	01/14/2017
Evaluation/Philanthropy Session	02/04/2017
<i>Investment in Youth Luncheon</i>	03/02/2017

How will YIP Team members be selected?

- YIP Program participants are selected through an application process. In the selection process, the YIP Coordinating Committee will strive to ensure YIP Team representation is inclusive of diverse students and from the school districts across Fort Bend County.

What is a YIP Team?

- YIP Teams are formed by bringing together diverse students from schools throughout Fort Bend County and providing them the unique opportunity to experience how volunteerism and philanthropy coexist to serve their community.
- **The YIP Teams** participate in monthly volunteer projects submitted by area nonprofit organizations to increase their knowledge of the nonprofit sector serving Fort Bend County.
- At the conclusion of the school year, with their new knowledge and understanding of the community and the many organizations providing services to its residents, the **YIP Teams** evaluate local charities and put philanthropy into action by awarding monetary grants to participating nonprofits.

Where will the YIP Teams meet for monthly sessions?

- The YIP Orientation and the Evaluation sessions are held in the Susan B. Davis Multipurpose Room (Room 103) on the University of Houston at Sugar Land (UHSL) located in the Brazos Building at 14000 University Boulevard, Sugar Land, TX 77479.
- On Saturdays that nonprofit volunteer projects are assigned, all YIP Teams meet at the Fort Bend Chamber to board buses to their assigned nonprofit site. The Fort Bend Chamber is located at 445 Commerce Green Boulevard, Sugar Land, TX 77478.

What is the cost?

- The YIP Program is provided free to students including snacks, lunch, materials, etc.

Who is the contact person for YIP?

- For other questions concerning the YIP program, please contact Dee Koch, Director of Community Engagement at dkoch@thegeorgefoundation.org or by phone at 281-342-6109 or 281-344-7643.

PLEASE REFER TO THE RESOURCE ENTITLED YIP SURVIVOR TIPS FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE PROGRAM!