

Mayor's Youth Council



Purpose and Goals

- Assist with identifying important issues for youth in Fountain Hills
- Attend a variety of field trips- including trip to State Capitol
- Maintain MYC Adopt-a-Street on Westby Drive
- Participate in a variety of community service projects led by youth
- Serve as a listening board to youth and provide the Mayor and Council information from their perspective
- Promote a sense of civic involvement and community pride
- Become a positive role model through responsible leadership

What we do:

The Fountain Hills Youth Council gives youth a genuine voice and engages them in common interests to make Surprise one.

- **Discover:** find out what teens want through research, surveys, social media, focus groups and interviews
- **Unite:** plan events, competitions and youth forums that build community
- **Serve:** complete community service, Make A Difference Day, and Adopt-a-Street program
- **Solve:** build awareness, connect with policy makers and solve problems
- **Learn:** learn about team building and leadership through local and national conferences, workshops and retreats
- **Collaborate:** work with local leaders, including: the Mayor & Town Council, business leaders, non-profits and school administrators.

Commitment:

The MYC meets twice monthly on Thursday from 5:00-6:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Additional committee meetings are required per month as well as special meetings for committee chairs or project leads.

Members are expected to attend as many MYC events/programs, service projects, volunteerism, trainings and social outings as possible.

Members are evaluated bi-annually based on the council's expressed expectations and the individual member's participation and engagement level. Members serve at the Town's discretion, until he or she resigns or graduates from high school.

Expectations

- Each member must make a minimum nine month commitment to the program (September to May).
- Attendance is mandatory at the meetings and only three excused absence are permitted. If you have multiple absences and/or do not actively participate in the program, you may be removed from the Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee.
- Each member must attend at least one council meeting and one board or commission meeting during the program.
- MYC is committed to community service. Each student must complete at least 20 hours of community service benefiting Fountain Hill's residents per school year. If you do not complete your community service, you will not be eligible to graduate. Opportunities for community service will also be made available through the program.
- Members are expected to participate in the State Legislative Day at the Capital.
- The Committee may also be asked to assist the Mayor with various assignments, attend meetings or participate in a focus group on various topics. Participation in these events is voluntary.
- Each member must attend at least two Adopt-A-Street clean up days.
- Each member is responsible to tracking their volunteer hours and submitting by April 29, 2021

Volunteer Opportunities

October 24	Make a Difference Day	Golden Eagle Park	9:00am
November 23	Holiday Decorations	Community Center	*8:00am-Noon
November 25	Turkey Trot Packet Pick-Up	Community Center	4:00-7:00pm
November 26	Turkey Trot Race Day	Community Center	5:00am-8:00am
December 18	Gingerbread Houses	Community Center	5:30-7:30pm
December 20	Parent's Night Out	Community Center	5:30-9:30pm
December 31	Noon Year's Eve	Community Center	10:00am-12:30pm
January 2	Holiday Decorations	Community Center	*8:00am-4:00pm
March 6	Senior Prom	Community Center	5:00-9:00pm
March 27	Eggstravaganza	Golden Eagle Park	6:30am-9:00am

**A 2 hour minimum is required during the range.*

Ongoing Volunteer Opportunities- By Appointment

Weekends	Home Delivered Meals	Fountain View Village	10:45am-12:30pm
Weekday	Medical Equipment Clean Up	Community Center	Schedule a Time
1 Saturday/month	Save our Sculptures	Fountain Park	9:00-11:00am

Council Meetings	1 st & 3 rd Tuesday of the Month	5:30pm
Commission Meetings		
Community Services Advisory Commission	4 th Monday of the Month	5:00pm
McDowell Mountain Preservation Commission	4 th Tuesday of the Month	5:00pm
Planning and Zoning Commission	2 nd & 4 th Thursday of the Month	6:00pm
Board of Adjustment	3 rd Thursday of the Month	5:30pm