

Hampton Youth Grant Program 2020 - 2021



**"Young people with the power and the voice
To shape the future of Hampton."**

Applications due November 6th 2020

Review or approval of any application is not based on race, religion, or nationality of the applicant.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Youth-led programs are opportunities created by individuals and organizations where youth lead planning decision-making, facilitation, reflection and evaluation on issues that matter to them using actions that are youth led. Adults can act in supportive ways through youth/adult partnerships.

Youth led organizations must:

- Have youth ranging from ages 10 - 18,
- Have 3 or more members ,
- Be majority youth members,
- Be a 501c(3) organization
- Have youth engaged in primary leadership of the organization and must be involved in the decision making, implementation and evaluation process of the organization, and
- Have an adult sponsor

HOW TO APPLY:

Step 1: Review the application to ensure you and your project meet the grant criteria for HYC grant funding.

Step 2: Read the four (4) grant "Youth Issues" (page 4), and select the one your group is most interested in working to solve. Develop a project idea that you think will really make a difference. **Projects will be funded UP TO \$2500.**

Step 3: *(Recommended but not required)* Attend the 'Applicant Interest Meeting' to learn how to write a successful proposal. By attending, there is no guarantee your proposal will be selected for a grant, but the information will be helpful when filling out the application. The interest meetings will be held **October 5th over Zoom 5:00pm - 7:00pm** Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96388614962>

Step 4: Complete the enclosed Grant Application.

Thanks so much for your interest in applying for a grant for grant funding.

Important Information

Deadline is November 6th 2020

Applications can be mailed or delivered to 22 Lincoln Street, Hampton, VA or EMAIL the completed application to: maia.patterson@hampton.gov
FOR MORE INFORMATION Please call (757)-728-5225

YOUTH GRANT SELECTION CRITERIA

1. To qualify for funding:

- Projects must be planned and implemented by youth led organizations.
- Proposed projects must identify one of the grant funding "Youth Issues" on page 4.
- Projects must benefit Hampton youth.
- Sponsoring organization must be able to establish accounting procedures to document the expenditure of funds. All expense receipts must be saved and turned in at the end of the project.
- Must be a 501c(3) organization
- Projects must be completed by **April 30th 2021**. Should your program or project have a longer lifespan, please contact our office before applying.
- Final report is due **April 30th 2021**

2. Grant money **MAY** be used for the following:

Supplies, materials, youth stipends, and other expenses that are directly involved with your project and are necessary to making it a success.

3. Grant money **MAY NOT** be used for:

- Religious instruction or conducting worship services
- Capital expenses (i.e. major equipment...computers, copiers, furniture, etc...unless proven to contribute to the on-going life of the proposed program)
- Monetary donations to other organizations
- Salaries
- Travel outside of Hampton Roads

4. If you are approved for funding, you must:

- Have an adult partner sign a funding and services contract
- Be available for one site visit made by the funding staff of HYC.
- Document your project through pictures or/video and submit a final report on the project following pre-determined guidelines of the Commission.

*HYC has been placed in a position of responsibility
for these funds provided by the City of Hampton.
We are committed to the success of our grant program.*

Comprehensive Plan 'Youth Issue' Areas

Youth are Prepared

What young person has not been asked, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" During this time of contemplation, young people should be given opportunities to learn about, explore, and even prepare for potential careers. *Proposals addressing this issue include strategies that expose youth to a variety of careers, and options for a productive and meaningful future.* Youth talk about how they can't wait to become adults, but at the same time, express concerns that they don't have the knowledge and skills to enter the 'real world'. Things like credit cards, job interviews and renting your first apartment can seem overwhelming! *Grant proposals addressing this issue should work to provide youth opportunities to develop these essential 'life skills' that will prepare them for adulthood.*

Youth are Active

Youth frequently express their increasing disappointment in the amount of activities available to them. By either creating or introducing opportunities to youth, we hope to encourage youth to be more active in their communities. Being active also includes chances to engage in community restoration or service. To become more involved with the work in their community, will foster a lasting relationship that bolsters a love for the community. *Grant proposals addressing this issue should focus on providing ways for youth to actively engage themselves or others in the community.*

Youth are Returning

Like many students graduating from high school, Hampton youth often leave for college. What happens after college, though, is a critical issue for the future of our city. Do young people return to live and work in Hampton, contributing as citizens and tax payers, or do they move away? *Grant proposals addressing this issue should include strategies that encourage young adults to 'come back' to Hampton, and help grow our city into greatness.*

Youth are Respected

The Youth Commission believes that young people should have a voice in the decisions that affect them, and that they should have a role as citizens in solving community problems and making Hampton stronger. *Grant proposals addressing this issue will work to fully engage young people as leaders in our community...*

Caring relationships not just for one day, but for a lifetime!

Relationships are present throughout Hampton, and, if positive, are vital to the healthy development of young people. *Grant proposals addressing this issue should work to bridge relationships 'gaps' and/or build caring relationships between young people, or between different groups of youth and adults.*

Grant Application

Young people with the power and voice to shape the future of Hampton!

Instructions: Complete the information in Sections 1, 2, and 5 on the application. Answer the questions in Sections 3, 4 and 6 on separate sheet of paper. Do not exceed 3 pages for your answers. Be clear and brief.

1. Tell us about yourself . . .

Name of your group/organization: _____

Address: _____
Street Address City Zip Code

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Adult Contact Person & Title: _____

Youth Contact Person: _____

Youth Phone number/email: _____
Number Email

What is the mission of your group?

2. Funding Opportunity Selection:

Youth are Respected Youth are Active Youth are prepared Youth are Returning

3. Tell us about your proposed project (Preferably Typed):

- A. What is the name of your proposed project?
- B. How does your project address one or more of the 'root causes' of the identified issue?
- C. Describe your proposed project. Include details of activities you plan to do and who will participate. Be as specific as possible.
- D. In what ways are other groups involved with and supporting your project?

- E. What is your project schedule? When do you plan to begin, end, and accomplish each activity you described?
- F. What is the role of young people in planning, implementing, and overseeing your project and the role of the adults working with them?

4. Tell us about your proposed results:

- A. How will you evaluate the success of your program? When your project is over, how many people will have participated? How many high school aged youth? How many adults? How many middle school aged youth? How many younger children?
- B. How do you plan to continue the benefits of this program after the Youth Commission funding is no longer available?

5. LETTERS OF SUPPORT & RECOMMENDATION:

Please attach one or more letters of support indicating the need for the project in your neighborhood, school, or the community. These letters can be from youth or adults who are knowledgeable about your proposal.

6. BUDGET SUMMARY:

Total amount requested for this grant: _____ (up to 2,500)

Please describe your requested budget using the following format. You do not need to request funds in each category. **EXAMPLE in Bold**

Type of Item	Amount Requested	Brief Explanation
Paper	\$200	To take notes at our meetings.
