

Grant Program 2021-2022



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

Applications due October 29th, 2021

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.

ALL of the following should be characteristics of the youth-led program:

- Youth members ranging 10–18 years old
- 3 or more members
- Consisting primarily of youth members
- 501c(3) organization
- Youth in primary leadership roles in organization
- One adult sponsor
- Youth **MUST** be involved in the decision making, implementation and evaluation process of the organization

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) "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: Complete the enclosed Grant Application.

Thank you for your interest in applying for a grant.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Deadline is October 29th 2021

Applications can be mailed or delivered to 22 Lincoln Street, Hampton VA or

Emailed to jericho.nicely@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 “Youth Goals” 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.
- Youth-led program must be a 501c (3) organization.
- Projects must be completed by **June 20th 2022**. Should your program or project have a longer lifespan, please contact our office before applying.
- Final report is due **June 20th 2022**.

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

- Supplies
- Materials
- Youth stipends
- Other expenses directly involved with your project and necessary in 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 the Hampton Roads region

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

- Have an adult partner sign a funding and services contract
- Be available for **AT LEAST** one site visit made by the funding staff of HYC.
- Document your project through pictures and/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

Hampton Youth Master Plan “Youth Goals”

Youth are Prepared

Most youth have 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, explore, and 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.*

Many youth are excited to become adults. Those same youth are concerned they don't have the knowledge and skills to enter the 'real world'. Challenges such as 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. We hope to encourage youth to be active in their communities by creating or introducing new opportunities. This includes chances to engage in community restoration or service.

Becoming more involved within their communities bolsters a love for community. It also creates a lasting connections. *Grant proposals addressing this issue should focus on providing ways for youth to actively engage themselves or others in community activities or service.*

Youth are Returning

Hampton youth often leave for college after high school graduation. What happens after college is a critical issue for the future of our city.

Do young people return to live and work in Hampton, or do they move away? *Grant proposals addressing this issue should encompass strategies that encourage young adults to 'come back' to Hampton. This fosters the continued growth of our great city.*

Youth are Respected

The Youth Commission believes that young people should have a voice in decisions affecting them, and 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 for one day, but for a lifetime!

Positive relationships are present throughout Hampton, and 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 youth and adult groups.*



Grant Application

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Instructions: Complete the information in **ALL** sections, 1-7. Use additional pages as needed. **DO NOT** exceed 3 pages for any one answer. Be clear and brief.

1. TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF . . .

Name of group/organization: _____

Address: _____
Street Address City Zip Code

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Adult Sponsor, Name & Title: _____

Adult Sponsor Number/Email: _____

Youth Leader: _____

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 will other groups be involved with and supporting your project?
- E. What is the role of young people in planning, implementing, and overseeing your project? What is 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 adults? How many high school students? How many middle school students? How many younger children?
- B. Do you plan to continue the benefits of this program after the Hampton Youth Commission funding is no longer available? If so, how?

5. LETTERS OF SUPPORT & RECOMMENDATION:

Please attach two or more letters of support indicating the need for the project in your neighborhood, school, or the community. These letters can be from youth, adults, or organizations 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. Please use additional pages if necessary. **EXAMPLE in Bold/Red**

Type of Item	Amount Requested	Brief Explanation
Oral Hygiene Products (Toothpaste, Mouthwash, Toothbrushes, etc)	\$175	In order to provide goodie bags for those attending our dental hygiene event.

7. PROJECT TIMELINE:

Please give a detailed timeline of your project on a separate sheet. This can be in any readable format, so long as it gives hard deadlines.