



FEMA Youth Preparedness Council

Application Form

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 2, 2015, 11:59 P.M. EST. Please save this file with the name "[Applicant's First Name]_[Applicant's Last Name]_ApplicationForm".

Your information is being collected solely for use by FEMA with regards to the Youth Preparedness Council open applications. Your information will not be shared with or used by any external entity unless prior permission is given.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION		
Name		
Date of Birth		Age
Street Address		
City		State
ZIP/Postal Code		
Email Address		
Phone Number		
Parent's/Guardian's Name and Phone Number		
FEMA Region (for reference please see www.fema.gov/regional-operations)		
Grade entering in Fall 2015		
Have you previously applied to the Youth Preparedness Council? If yes, when did you apply?	Yes _____	No
How did you hear about the Council?		
Would you like to receive information from FEMA about other preparedness opportunities?	Yes	No

NARRATIVE RESPONSES

Please respond to the following questions/topics, in narrative form. Please note the character limit for each response.

1. Why are you a good candidate to join the Youth Preparedness Council? What impact will you have while on the Council? (Max 1,500 characters)

2. What do you hope to gain from your experience serving on the Council? (Max 700 characters)

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3. Please describe up to three (3) examples of your youth preparedness-related and/or disaster-related experiences. These may include experiences with preparedness programs, disasters, and/or disaster response. (Max 700 characters each)

4. There are five (5) areas of engagement for Youth Preparedness Council activities:
- **Programs:** Council members establish preparedness programs in their schools or communities.
 - **Partnerships:** Whether working with other youth-serving organizations or incorporating youth preparedness into other programs, Council members seek to spread awareness of preparedness to a wider audience.
 - **Events:** In-person activities and interactions are a great way to share youth preparedness information, whether done in conjunction with other events or as a standalone activity.
 - **Public Speaking/Outreach:** Council members share their unique perspectives on preparedness and promote the message of youth preparedness through conferences, public events, small-group discussions, online interactions, and a huge variety of other events and media.
 - **Publishing:** Council members spread the message of preparedness via written content; these pieces may be published locally or nationally. Council members may also contribute to FEMA blog posts or other materials.

Please describe any experience you have in one (1) or more of these five (5) engagement areas. (Max 1,800 characters)

5. Each Council member is required to complete at least one (1) self-selected youth preparedness-related project during his or her term. It is expected that members' projects will align to one (1) or more of the areas of engagement referenced previously (Programs, Partnerships, Events, Public Speaking/Outreach, and Publishing). For examples of the types of projects that current Council members are completing, please visit <http://www.ready.gov/youth-preparedness-council>.

Please propose a project that you might complete as a member of the Youth Preparedness Council, and explain how it aligns to one (1) or more of the areas of engagement. Please note that if you are selected for the Council, you will have the opportunity to revise your proposed project, if desired. (Max 1,500 characters)

TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

You must attach two (2) letters of recommendation as part of a complete, eligible application. One (1) letter of recommendation must be from an adult who can speak to your experience with preparedness and/or disaster(s). The second letter of recommendation can be from any adult, age 18 or older. Examples of adults who might write letters of recommendation include group leaders, parents, guardians, community first responders, or teachers.

Letters of recommendation must be submitted in PDF format, and must use the file naming conventions “[Applicant’s First Name]_[Applicant’s Last Name]_Recommendation1” and “[Applicant’s First Name]_[Applicant’s Last Name]_Recommendation2”.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION	
Written By (Last name, First name)	
Relationship to applicant	
Written By (Last name, First name)	
Relationship to applicant	

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

Supplemental materials are welcome but not required. Possible supplemental materials include news about a preparedness or disaster response activity in which you participated, preparedness materials that you developed, or a video of a preparedness activity in which you participated. Below, please identify any other files (or links) that you will be submitting with your Youth Preparedness Council application. Please provide a brief description of each file or link. Each attachment of supplemental materials must use the file naming convention

“[Applicant’s First Name]_[Applicant’s Last Name]_Supplement1”,

“[Applicant’s First Name]_[Applicant’s Last Name]_Supplement2”, etc.

File Name 1:	
Description:	
File Name 2:	
Description:	
File Name 3:	
Description:	

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

The complete application—application form, two (2) letters of recommendation, and any optional supplemental materials—must be sent in one (1) email to FEMA-Youth-Preparedness-Council@fema.dhs.gov. The subject line of the email must be “[Applicant’s First Name] [Applicant’s Last Name] YPC Application”. All attachments must use the file naming conventions provided in this application. **Applications must be received no later than March 2, 2015, 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Thank you for submitting an application to the Youth Preparedness Council!