



# *UNICEF USA YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE*

## *VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION*

### **2024-2025**

#### **ABOUT THIS ROLE**

UNICEF USA's Youth Representatives (ages 14-24) are young leaders who serve as child rights advocates who support UNICEF's work in a **regional** capacity. Youth Representatives help UNICEF USA grow our community of supporters and advance local child rights action through the Child Friendly Cities Initiative (CFCI) and other municipal partnerships (in select cities), while also activating the UNICEF Clubs network.

#### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- **COMMUNITY BUILDING:** Work closely with a UNICEF USA staff member and other youth representatives in your region to build community with UNICEF clubs. Help recruit and retain clubs through relationship building and ongoing engagement. Activate clubs on civic learning and advocacy by leading sessions during club meetups.
- **CONTENT DESIGN & TRAINING:** Participate in and help champion local trainings, civic engagement events and local advocacy actions, including building out our child rights training work. Receive training from UNICEF professionals on child rights, community building, and grassroots advocacy.
- **CFCI OUTREACH (IN RELEVANT MARKETS):** If in a CFCI city, collaborate with city partners on priority areas of importance to children, young people and local stakeholders.
- **INFLUENCING AND RELATIONSHIP BUILDING:** Represent the voice of youth in media appearances and local events.

# COMMITMENT:

- Serve a **one-year** term from **August 1, 2024-May 30, 2025**
  - Youth Representatives that are interested in serving more than one term are highly encouraged to re-apply
- **5-10 hours** of volunteer time per month, mostly during weekday evenings and weekends in a largely virtual setting
  - Youth Representatives must be available for **monthly meetings held on Wednesdays, 7-8:30PM EST**
  - Throughout each week, you should be setting aside **1-2 hours aside to do UNICEF USA work** and have **check-ins with your relationship manager**
  - For the month of August, Youth Representatives **must be available for onboarding virtual training during the following times:**
    - **Wednesday, August 7 @ 7:30-8:30PM EST**
    - **Saturday, August 17 @ 12-4PM EST**
    - **Sunday, August 18 @ 12-4PM EST**
    - **Tuesday, August 27 @ 7:30-8:30PM EST**

## Key Communities of Focus

This year, we are seeking Youth Reps that live in or near the cities and communities listed below:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Houston, TX</li><li>• Dallas, TX</li><li>• Prince George's County, MD (&amp; Washington, DC)</li><li>• Boston, MA</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minneapolis, MN</li><li>• Chicago, IL</li><li>• Detroit/Ann Arbor, MI</li><li>• Alton, IL</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Los Angeles, CA</li><li>• La Mesa, CA</li><li>• San Francisco, CA</li><li>• Boulder, CO</li><li>• Denver, CO</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Decatur, GA</li><li>• Johnson City, TN</li><li>• Jacksonville, FL</li><li>• Miami, FL</li><li>• New York City, NY</li></ul>
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## BENEFITS

- Gain practical skills in volunteer organizing, civic engagement, communications and advocacy in a largely virtual setting
- Be part of a team that helps drive measurable improvements in child well-being
- Build relationships with local influencers in your community and join a network of young people passionate about global issue and community building.
- Learn from and exchange with UNICEF USA national and regional staff
- Gain opportunities to be nominated for special service awards and accrue volunteer hours
- Stipend of \$500 will be provided to each member

## QUALIFICATIONS

- All applicants must be between the ages of 14-24 and live in the U.S.
  - \*Students studying abroad at any point during the term are **not** eligible to participate
- Geographic proximity to the metro area in which you plan to serve
- Can meet the time commitment and expectations
- Interest in community organizing, advocacy, youth-led action and child rights
- Demonstrate a commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion and be passionate about making an impact in your local community
- Demonstrate a capacity to learn and utilize UUSA's virtual tools including Outlook, Slack, Zoom and Box
- Members will need reliable access to the internet and a device to participate in virtual meetings.

## CONTACT US

If you have any comments or questions, feel free to contact [volunteer@unicefusa.org](mailto:volunteer@unicefusa.org) with the subject line "Youth Representative 24-25"