

## KITSAP COUNTY COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH AGENDA February 2, 2023, 4:30-6:00pm

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In Person: 105 National Ave. N. Bremerton, WA, 98312- Olympic Educational Service District 114Web - Based Meeting Link:https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84295747300By phone:Dial by your location+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

THE PURPOSE OF THIS BOARD IS TO:

Advise County Commissioners and residents on the needs of children, youth, and families based on periodic assessments

Facilitate Coordination of information among agencies to maximize resources

Advocate for an environment that fosters healthy, self-sufficient, responsible, and productive children, youth and families

# AGENDA

- 4:30 WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS In person and online
- 4:40 APPROVAL MINUTES/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA
- 4:45 YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS
- 5:00 PRESENTATION KidVantage (formerly Eastside Baby Corner West Sound) will share about the services they were able to offer with our grant funding.
- 5:20 RFP UPDATES Laura will share the draft 2023 Request for Proposals for Board Approval
- 5:35 UPCOMING PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES
- 5:50 ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT (2 min. limit)
- 6:00 ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING MARCH 2, 2023

## Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth AGENDA BRIEFING – Feb. 2, 2023 4:30 P.M. –6:00 P.M. In Person at 105 National Ave. N. Bremerton, WA 98312 and via Zoom meeting- details provided on Agenda

#### 4:30 p.m. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

The Chairpersons will welcome attendees and facilitate brief introductions. The board will meet in Hybrid status with an in-person option and an online option. until further notice.

#### 4:40 p.m. <u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA</u> January Meeting Minutes will be approved and any changes to the February Agenda will be approved.

#### 4:45 p.m. YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Youth Representatives on the Commission and guests will have an opportunity to update the Commission on youth issues and activities in their community.

- **5:00 p.m. PRESENTATION** KidVantage(formerly Eastside Baby Corner West Sound) will share about the services they were able to offer with our grant funding.
- **5:20 p.m. <u>RFP UPDATES</u>-** Laura will share the draft of the 2023 RFP (Request for Proposals) and the Board will approve changes. This is our funding announcement and information about how to apply for the grant funding we offer each year. Title: Programs that Prevent and Reduce the Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences through Building Resiliency 2023.
- **5:35 p.m.** <u>UPCOMING PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES</u> Information will be shared about community activities happening in the future.
- 5:50 p.m. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PUBLIC COMMENT (2 MINUTE LIMIT)</u> Members of the board & the public will announce events & share comments.
- 6:00 p.m. <u>ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING: The next monthly meeting will be</u> <u>held March 2, 2022</u>.

#### Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth

#### MINUTES January 5, 2023

The Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth meeting was held on Thursday January 5, 2022, from 4:30 -6:00 p.m. via Zoom and in person. Jeff Allen Board Co-Chairperson facilitated this meeting and called the meeting to order. Laura Hyde served as staff and recorder.

#### I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Jeff asked members and guests for self-introductions. Attendees offered introductions.

#### II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

The December 2022 Meeting Minutes were approved and entered into the record. The It was noted that we are meeting virtually and in-person today. The in-person meeting being at OESD 114. We were scheduled to go Hybrid in December but moved it to virtual only due to snow and ice causing hazardous driving conditions.

#### III. YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Youth Representatives on the Commission and guests updated the Commission on youth issues and activities in their community.

#### IV. PROJECT UPDATES

Updates to the My Shoes, My Story project, Advocacy Efforts, Youth Leadership Training, and Grant funded projects were offered.

#### V. UPCOMING PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

Information about the My Shoes My Story displays, Alcohol Prevention and Mental Health Awareness walk planned in April and planning our annual grant announcement that will start in Feb. were shared.

#### VI. PROJECT TEAM SIGN UPS

Laura introduced the Project Teams and what each entailed. Board Members offered to serve on the teams. We will send out a description of each project and ask for more board members to sign up for the groups.

#### VII. ANNOUNCEMENT/PUBLIC COMMENT

The board and guests shared announcements.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be held on February 2, 2023.

## IV. ATTENDANCE

COMMISSION MEMBERS		STAFF		GUESTS
Jeff Allen	Laura Hy	de	Sydney Perales	
Jim Riddell			Susan Mayes	s Winfield
Elisabeth Nillson			Sonya Miles	
Bethany Wecks				
Teagan Krog				
Lisa Lechuga				
Abby Stevenson				
Juliana Meyer				
Dragan Karzdic				
Emily Main				
		Absent		
Michael Ramsdell				
Cathy Adams Bomar				
Crista Magneson				
Camden Singer				

# Wild Society: Registration is open for Summer Backpacking Camps!

#### Campers will carry everything they need on their backs into the

**magnificent Olympic Mountains!** We want our campers to leave with the necessary understanding and skills to be able to enter the wilderness with safety, respect, and a sense of wonder and belonging. This program is uniquely designed to create an opportunity to feel at home with backcountry living, natural observation, and inquiry.

Learn More & Register!

**Trip cost includes all meals, transportation, and equipment loans.** Wild Society welcomes youth of all backgrounds, regardless of experience, access to equipment, or ability to pay tuition. *Financial aid is available, if you need it, please ask!* 

Backpacking camp groups are all gender, ages 12-18.

## Washington State Department of Health Youth Advisory Council

The Washington State Department of Health is inviting young people from across our state to apply to be a member of a public health Youth Advisory Council. The council will serve for about two years and help staff in the Adolescent and Young Adult Health Unit make programming decisions.

We are looking for applicants ages 13-22 who live in Washington state and have access to the internet, social media, and email.

Our recruitment will center the communities most affected by health care inequities. We especially encourage young people with these lived experiences to apply:

- Affected by disabilities
- Experiences with different systems, including juvenile justice, child protective services, or foster care
- Experience with behavioral and mental health conditions and treatment
- Experience with chronic disease conditions and treatment
- Feeling left out at school or experiencing challenges at school
- From marginalized and/or underserved communities
- Experience with houselessness and/or unstable housing
- Struggles with access to or challenges with health care

We are asking our public health partners to help us get the word out. Please share with your contacts who work with schools, teachers, youth organizations, and young people in the state.

- For more information and to apply go to: <u>Youth Engagement and the Youth Advisory</u> <u>Council | WaPortal.org</u>
- For questions, contact Alexis Bates, Adolescent Health Consultant: <a href="mailto:alexis.bates@doh.wa.gov">alexis.bates@doh.wa.gov</a> or (360) 688-3064.

#### Please help us disseminate this information and share with others.



# Interested in making a difference in your community?

# **Apply to Join the FEMA Youth Preparedness Council!**

The Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) brings teens together from across the country who are passionate about emergency preparedness and making a difference in their communities. Council members are selected based on involvement in extracurricular activities, leadership experience, and interest in preparedness and emergency management.

Students in grades 8 through 11 are eligible to apply.

YPC members share ideas and feedback with FEMA, collaborate to develop preparedness project proposals, and build their leadership and emergency management skills. Youth leaders who are interested in applying to the YPC must submit a completed application form and provide two letters of recommendation.

## The application period is January 23 - March 6, 2023

## **Learn More and Apply Today!**

Visit ready.gov/kids/youth-preparedness-council to learn more.









# ¿Te interesa hacer la diferencia en tu comunidad?

## ¡Solicita formar parte del Consejo de Preparación Juvenil de FEMA!

El Consejo de Preparación Juvenil (YPC, por sus siglas en inglés) agrupa a adolescentes de todo el país que están interesados con la preparación comunitaria y lograr hacer la diferencia en sus comunidades. Los miembros del consejo son elegidos según participación en actividades extracurriculares, experiencia en liderazgo y su interés en la preparación y el manejo de emergencias.

Los estudiantes de octavo a undécimo grado son elegibles para solicitar.

Los miembros del YPC comparten sus ideas y opiniones con FEMA, colaboran para desarrollar proyectos de preparación y desarrollan sus destrezas de liderazgo y manejo de emergencias. Los jóvenes interesados en participar en el consejo deben presentar un formulario de solicitud completado e incluir dos cartas de recomendación.

El período para solicitar empleza al 23 de enero de 2023 y vence a las 11:59 p.m., hora del Pacífico, del 6 de marzo.

# ¡Conozca más y solicite hoy!

Visite ready.gov/kids/youth-preparedness-council para más información.





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#### YOUTH SERVICES

**Coffee Oasis** (Youth 13-25): (See front page)

WIC (Women/Infant/Children Program): Nutrition for pregnant women, moms, kids 0-5.

- Bremerton: Kitsap Community Resources (KCR), 845 6th St, 360-373-6221.
- Port Orchard: KCR (SK Family Service Center), 3200 SE Rainshadow Ct, 360-473-2144.
- Silverdale: KCR (Martha & Mary Child Center), 3513 NW Anderson Hill Rd, 360-692-6530.
- Suquamish: 360-621-5839.

StandUp For Kids: Food and clothing assistance (multiple locations). 360-204-0365. Kitsap Public Health District Parent Child Health: M-F 8am-4:30pm. 360-728-2235. KCR Early Learning & Family Services: (Ages 0-5) 1201 Park Ave, Bremerton. 360-473-2075. OESD 114 Early Learning: Ages 0-5, kids & pregnant women. 360-478-6889.

PCAP (Parent/Child Assistance Program): Agape Unlimited, 4843 Auto Center Way, Bremerton. M-Th 9am-5pm, F 9am-1pm. 360-377-0370.

Holly Ridge: Early intervention for ages 0-3. 5112 NW Taylor Road, Bremerton. 360-373-2536.

#### SENIOR SERVICES

Kitsap Aging & Long Term Care/Senior Information & Assistance: Supports older adults and adults with disabilities. Givens Community Center, 1026 Sidney Ave, Suite 105, Port Orchard. M-F 8am-4:30pm. 360-337-5700 or 1-800-562-6418.

**Catholic Community Services:** Transportation and home help for seniors and people with disabilities. 844-851-9380.

Meals on Wheels Kitsap: Meals for homebound seniors. 2817 Wheaton Way, Suite 208, Bremerton. M-Th 9am-3pm. 360-377-8511 or 888-877-8511.

#### VETERANS' ASSISTANCE

**Kitsap Community Resources Veterans Assistance:** 1201 Park Ave, Bremerton. 360-473-2034. Veteran Housing Options Group: Meets every M, Ipm.

Kitsap County Veterans Assistance Fund: Temporary emergency funds. 360-337-4811. Catholic Community Services: Housing support for homeless veterans and their families. Max Hale Center, 285 5th St, Bremerton. 253-208-7505.

VA Clinic: 9177 Ridgetop Blvd NW, Silverdale. 8am-4:30pm. 360-307-6920.

Retsil Veterans Home: 1141 Beach Dr E, Port Orchard. 360-895-4700.

VFW Post 239: 190 Dora Ave, Bremerton. M-F 2-8:30pm, Sa-Su 9am-10pm. 360-377-6739.

VFW Post 2669: 3100 Mile Hill Dr, Port Orchard. 2-8pm. 360-876-2669.

Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 5: 4980 Auto Center Way, Bremerton. M-W 9am-2pm. 360-373-2397.

#### **DOMESTIC PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

#### If you are in immediate danger, call 911. If you are in crisis, call/text 988.

**YWCA Kitsap:** 24-hour Hotline: 800-500-5513. 24-hour text line: 360-277-7607. Admin office: 905 Pacific Ave, Bremerton. 360-479-0522.

Kitsap Support, Advocacy, & Counseling: Advocacy and therapy for survivors of sexual assault. 600 Kitsap Street, #103, Port Orchard. Support and referral line: 9am-4pm, 360-337-9773. Scarlet Road: Support for survivors of sexual exploitation and sex trafficking. Survivor hotline (call/text): 360-362-5143. Office: 360-850-9718.

Coffee Oasis Crisis Services (Youth 13-25): (See front page) Text "HELP" to 360-377-5560. WA DSHS: Report abuse of a vulnerable adult. 1-866-ENDHARM (1-866-363-4276).

#### Kitsap Free Meal List is a separate handout.

This guide is maintained by the Kitsap Housing and Homeless Coalition: KitsapHHC.org

Email Admin@KitsapHHC.org with updates. Last updated: January 2023.



#### KITSAP COMMUNITY

## HOMELESS & LOW-INCOME RESOURCE GUIDE

#### **SALLY'S GUIDE - WINTER 2023**

#### Are you experiencing homelessness or housing instability? Start here:

Housing Solutions Center: Coordinates placement for shelters, provides short term rental assistance, and makes referrals for housing and community programs through Kitsap County.

- Bremerton: Kitsap Community Resources, 1201 Park Ave, 360-473-2035.
- Port Orchard: Kitsap Community Resources, 3200 SE Rainshadow Ct. 360-473-2146.

• North Kitsap and Bainbridge Island: NK Fishline, 787 Liberty Lane NW, PL. 360-801-2564. Walk up clients welcome M-F 8:30-10:30am and 12:30-3pm. For questions or issues getting to HSC locations, contact your local office to make a phone appointment with a Navigator.

#### HOMELESS SUPPORT SERVICES

Salvation Army: Social services and shelter. 832 6th St, Bremerton. 9:15am-3:30pm. 360-373-5550. Emergency night shelter through April 30, 2023: intake every night, 7-8:45pm. Meals: breakfast 8am, lunch 12pm, dinner (through April 30, 2023) 5pm. Showers: M-F 9:15am-2:30pm. Laundry: drop off and pick up M W F 9:15am-3pm.

**Coffee Oasis** (Youth 16-20): Emergency 24/7 youth shelter. 822 Burwell St, Bremerton (in the back, upstairs). All genders welcome. Check in 9pm, check out 8am. 360-479-5123. Crisis Text Line (ages 13-25): Text "HELP" to 360-377-5560.

Drop-in centers (case management, counseling, showers, laundry, clothing, food, job training and internships, rental assistance for youth 18-24):

- Bremerton: 822 Burwell St. M-F 2-5pm. 360-479-5123.
- Port Orchard: 807A Bay St. M-F 2-5pm. 360-602-0408.
- Poulsbo: 780 NE lverson St. M-F 2-5pm. 360-598-2091.
- Kingston: 11212 WA-104. M W F 2-5pm. 360-881-0228.

**St. Vincent de Paul:** Offers 24-Hour packs, general assistance (transportation, rent, utilities, hygiene), food bank, women's shelter (Bremerton only), thrift store.

- Bremerton: 1137 N Callow Ave. Tu Th F Sa 10:30am-2:30pm. 360-377-2929.
- Port Orchard: 2525 Bethell Rd SE. M-F 9:30am-5pm. 360-876-6933.
- Poulsbo: 18943 Caldart Ave NE. Tu Th 10am-12pm. 360-779-9980.

**NK Fishline:** Serving Kingston, Poulsbo, Suquamish, and Keyport. Food, housing, showers, laundry, utilities, safe park, transportation. 19705 Viking Way NW, Poulsbo. 360-779-5190. Food market M Tu Th F I Iam-4pm, W I-6pm. Comprehensive services M-F 9am-5pm.

**Northwest Hospitality:** Resources and support for people living homeless. 888-222-5240. "Welcome Neighbor" resource database: nwhospitality.org/welcome-homeless-neighbor

Gather Together Grow Together (G2): Homeless and community support, transportation, meal delivery, and job readiness. 419 Park Ave, Bremerton. 360-373-3000.

#### Are you being evicted?

Kitsap Legal Services: Free assistance for tenants facing eviction and civil issues. M-F 9am-4pm. 360-479-6125, EvictionDefense@KitsapLegalServices.org

#### **GENERAL ASSISTANCE**

**St. Vincent de Paul**: (See front page)

NK Fishline: Food, housing, utilities, transportation, showers, laundry. (See front page) ShareNet: Food bank, utility & rental assistance. 25994 Barber Cut-Off Rd, Kingston. Food bank Tu F 10am-2pm; Thrift store W Th Sa 10am-3pm. 360-297-2266.

**BI Helpline House:** Food bank, housing/utility assistance, counseling. 282 Knetchtel Way NE, Bainbridge. Food bank M-F 10am-4pm, closed W; Social services M-F 9am-5pm. 206-842-7621.

#### **CLOTHING & OTHER GOODS**

#### Salvation Army Clothing Bank: (See front page)

St. Vincent de Paul: Thrift store for clothing and household goods.

- Bremerton: 1117 N Callow Ave. M-Sa, 9:30am-5pm. 360-377-2929.
- Port Orchard: 2525 Bethell Rd SE. M-Sa 9:30am-6pm. 360-876-6933.

Abraham's House: Clothing, furniture, and household goods. 312 N Callow Ave, Bremerton. Tu-F 10am-5pm, S 10am-3pm. 360-405-0488.

**Coffee Oasis** (Youth 13-25): (See front page)

Taking It to the Streets Ministry: Clothing for adults. Cornerstone Christian Fellowship, 901 N Wycoff Ave, Bremerton. Pastor Art: 360-689-3219 or Kelly: 360-801-3569.

New Beginnings Closet: 2027 13th St, Bremerton. Th Su 2-6pm. 360-265-3398.

Silverdale United Methodist Church: 9982 Silverdale Way NW, Silverdale. Tu 3:15-3:45 and 4-5pm. 360-692-9813.

Kids Kloset: 5000 Bethel Rd SE, Port Orchard. Th I lam-3pm. 360-649-7577.

ShareNet Thrift Store: 25994 Barber Cut-Off Rd, Kingston. W Th Sa, 10am-3pm. 360-297-2266.

#### **SHOWERS & LAUNDRY**

Salvation Army: Showers: M-F 9am-3pm. Laundry: M W F 9am-2:30pm. (See front page) Coffee Oasis (Youth 13-25): Over 25 by appointment, M 2-5pm. (See front page) NK Fishline: Showers and laundry: M-F 9am-5pm. (See front page)

#### FOOD BANKS

Bring a photo ID and something with your current mailing address. Bremerton Foodline: 1600 12th St, Bremerton. M-Th 10am-1:15pm. 360-479-6188. St. Vincent de Paul Assistance Office: (See front page for locations) Olympic College Food Pantry: OC students only. Bremerton (walk-in): Building 12, Room 119. M-Th 9am-2pm. Poulsbo: Building P1, Room 11. Shelton: Room S1. 360-475-7290. Bremerton Backpack Brigade: Weekend food bags for elementary students. 360-471-9588, BremertonBackpackBrigade@gmail.com

**Taking It to the Streets Ministry**: Food bank by appointment; meals Th Su. Cornerstone Christian Fellowship, 901 N Wycoff Ave, Bremerton. Pastor Art: 360-689-3219 or Kelly: 360-801-3569.

Central Kitsap Food Bank: 3537 NW Anderson Hill Rd, Silverdale. M-F 10am-1:15 pm. 360-692-9818. NK Fishline: Food market M Tu Th F 11am-4pm, W 1-6pm. (See front page) ShareNet: Serving NK. 25994 Barber Cut-Off Rd, Kingston. Tu F 10am-2pm. 360-297-2266. BI Helpline House: 282 Knetchel Way NE, BI. M-F 10am-4pm, closed W. 206-842-7621. SK Helpline: Serving SK school district area. 1012 Mitchell Ave, Port Orchard. M Tu Th F 12-5pm. 360-876-4089.

#### TRANSPORTATION

Kitsap Transit: I-800-501-RIDE (7433) or 360-373-2877. ACCESS: Serving seniors and people with disabilities. 800-422-2877 or 360-479-7272.

Gather Together Grow Together (G2): Call to schedule a ride. 360-373-3000. Catholic Community Services: Volunteer rides for low-income elders and disabled adults. 844-851-9380.

#### MEDICAL HEALTH

#### If you are in an emergency, call 911.

West Sound Free Clinic: Free medical care, by appt only. 3627 Wheaton Way, Bremerton. 2nd + 4th Tu, 1-4pm. 360-209-2376 (Spanish interpreter).

Peninsula Community Health Services: Medical, dental, substance use, behavioral health, pharmacy services. Main: 360-377-3776. Extended hours: M-F 4-8:30pm, Sa 9am-3pm, 360-475-3729. • Bremerton: 616 6th St. M-F 7:15am-6pm.

- Port Orchard: 320 S Kitsap Blvd (medical), 1950 Pottery Ave, #170 (dental). M-F 7:30am-6pm.
- Silverdale: 3100 NW Bucklin Hill Rd, #202. M-F 7:15am-6pm.
- Poulsbo: 19917 7th Ave, #205 (medical), 19705 Viking Ave NW, #201 (dental). M-F 7:30am-6pm.
- Kingston: 25989 Barber Cut Off Rd. M-F 8am-5pm.

St. Michael Medical Center: Emergency: 1800 NW Myhre Rd, Silverdale. 360-744-8800. Harrison Urgent Care: 450 S Kitsap Blvd, Suite 100, Port Orchard. M-Su 8am-7:30pm. 360-744-6275. Franciscan Urgent Care: 1344 Wintergreen Lane NE, Suite 100, Bl. M-F 7am-6:30pm, Sa-Su 8am-4:30pm. 206-780-6360.

**Planned Parenthood**: Health care, birth control, pregnancy services. 723 NE Riddell Rd, Suite A, Bremerton. M-Tu 9am-5pm, W 8am-4pm, Th I Iam-7pm, F 8:30am-4:30pm. 800-769-0045.

#### **NEEDLE EXCHANGE**

People's Harm Reduction/Mobile Needle Exchange: Supplies for clean injection, wound care, and overdoses. Bremerton Tu Th S 9am-5pm; NK Tu 9am-5pm; SK Th 9am-5pm. 253-470-6534.

#### **BEHAVIORAL & MENTAL HEALTH**

#### If you are in crisis, call Salish Regional Crisis Line (888-910-0416) or call/text 988.

Kitsap Mental Health Services: 5455 Almira Dr. NE, Bremerton. 360-373-5031.

Coffee Oasis (Youth 13-25): Text "HELP" to (360) 377-5560. (See front page)

Kitsap Recovery Center: Inpatient and withdrawal management: 661 Taylor St, Port Orchard. Outpatient and drug court: 1026 Sidney Ave, Port Orchard. 360-337-4625.

**Eagles Wings Coordinated Care:** Mental health services, counseling, and case management. Community center: 8050 Illahee Rd, Bremerton. 360-337-0672.

Kitsap Support, Advocacy, & Counseling: Advocacy and therapy for survivors of sexual assault. 600 Kitsap Street, #103, Port Orchard. Support and referral line: 9am-4pm, 360-337-9773.

#### **BENEFITS/EMPLOYMENT**

DSHS Community Services: Food stamps, cash assistance, ID card voucher, and more. 4710 Auto Center Blvd, Bremerton. M-F 8am-5pm, self-service by phone 24/7. 877-501-2233. WA Unemployment Benefits: Claims questions: M-F 8am-4pm. 800-318-6022 Kitsap Community Resources: Employment assistance programs. Bremerton: 845 8th St,

360-478-2301. Port Orchard: 3200 SE Rainshadow Ct, 360-473-2144.

WA DVR (Division of Vocational Rehabilitation): Bremerton: 4710 Auto Center Blvd, 360 -405-7810. Silverdale: 3888 NW Randall Way, #201, 360-698-4360.

**Goodwill Job Training & Education Center:** Job readiness, GED, ESOL, and computer classes. 4209 Wheaton Way, Bremerton. M W 10am-4pm, Tu Th F by appt. 360-373-3692. **WorkSource Kitsap**: Job training and placement. 3120 NW Randall Way, Silverdale. M-Th 8am-5pm, F 9am-5pm. 360-516-1001.

Skookum Community Employment Services: 4525 Auto Center Way, Bremerton. M-F 7:30am-4pm. 360-475-0756.

Sound Works Job Center: Countywide employment assistance. Office at NK Fishline (see front page). M 10am-3pm, W 1-3pm. 360-779-1160.

#### **LEGAL**

Kitsap Legal Services: (See front page)

Northwest Justice Project/CLEAR: Low-income legal services. M-F 9:15am-12:15pm. Main: 888-201-1014, Seniors: 888-387-7111.

YWCA Kitsap: Advocacy for domestic violence survivors. M-F 8:30am-4:30pm. 360-479-0491.

# Youth Preparedness Council 2023



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# Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) Application

**Promotion Toolkit** 

Community

January 2023 Individual and Community Preparedness Division



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## **Overview**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) created the Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) in 2012 to bring together young leaders who are interested in supporting disaster preparedness and making a difference in their communities. The YPC demonstrates FEMA's commitment to involving America's youth in preparedness-related activities and allows FEMA to engage with young people and solicit their perspectives, feedback, and opinions.

The 2023 Youth Preparedness Council application period begins Jan. 23, 2023 and extends through March 6, 2023, 11:59 p.m. PT. With your help, we're looking forward to reaching diverse audiences and encouraging young people throughout the country to apply to the YPC.

This promotion kit provides key messages, social media captions and graphics, and other information on the YPC application that you can use for your websites, communications, newsletters, and social media pages.

## **The Application Process**

From Monday, Jan. 23 until Monday, March 6 at 11:59 p.m. PT, young people in grades 8 through 11 can apply to join the YPC online at <u>https://community.fema.gov/ApplyToYPC</u>. The YPC application includes:

- Parental or guardian consent;
- An application form (including narrative responses that can be written or submitted in a video);
- Letters of recommendation;
- A list of extracurricular activities; and
- Any supplemental materials that showcase your capabilities, as chosen by the applicant.

If selected, YPC members meet with FEMA leadership to provide input on disaster preparedness strategies, initiatives, and projects. YPC members will also participate in YPC Summit, a two-day event held in Washington DC, meet regularly with FEMA staff, and complete emergency preparedness project proposals. In addition to FEMA's National YPC, some FEMA regions also select members for their Regional YPCs through this process.

Potential applicants can learn more about the application process at two information sessions:

- Monday, Jan. 30, 2023 at 8 p.m. ET (register at <a href="https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltd-GvqDgoHf\_f--90X\_JBR7f6LVSW93Y">https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltd-GvqDgoHf\_f--90X\_JBR7f6LVSW93Y</a>)
- Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2023 at 8 p.m. ET (register at <u>https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlsd-qurjMtHMlYax2T6NbEocKo3c4f9kY</u>)

Please note that these information sessions are optional and will not influence final YPC member selection. The same information will be presented at both sessions.



## **Application Timeline**

Date	Activity	
January 23	Application opens	
January 30	Applicant Informational Webinar #1	
February 28	Applicant Informational Webinar #2	
March 6	Application closes (11:59 PM PST)	
March 15 - 31	Application review period	
April 3 – 14	YPC Interviews	
May 1	Selection notification	
July TBD	YPC Summit (Washington, DC)	

## Key Messages

The messages below can be used to spread awareness of the YPC application period. Partners can share them through social media channels (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram or LinkedIn), newsletters, bulletins, word of mouth, and emails. Please include the hashtags #YPC2023 and #YouthPrep to connect these messages with the larger conversation.

## **Key Points to Mention**

- Application period dates (Jan. 23 March 6, 2023)
- Applicant Information Session dates (Jan. 30, 2023 and Feb. 28, 2023)
- Where to apply (<u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>)
- Where to learn more (<u>ready.gov/kids/youth-preparedness-council</u>)
- Who can apply (teens in grades 8 through 11)

## **Audience**

We have identified several key audiences that we would like the YPC application to reach. As a promotional partner, you can help us reach these audiences and encourage young people throughout the country to apply to the YPC.

As a promotional partner, you can:

- Use your platforms to help build awareness of the YPC application period.
- Encourage individuals and their networks to share information with teens about joining the YPC.
- Drive teens to access and complete the YPC application.



Below are the key audiences we hope to engage:

TARGET AUDIENCE	WHAT THEY NEED TO KNOW	CALL TO ACTION
New Youth Applicants	What the YPC is	Apply to the YPC and join our
	<ul> <li>Why they should apply</li> </ul>	webinars to learn more
	<ul> <li>How to apply</li> </ul>	
Educators and Parents	<ul> <li>What the YPC is</li> <li>Why they should encourage their students/children to apply</li> <li>How their students/children can apply</li> </ul>	Encourage youth in grades 8 through 11 to apply to the YPC
Organizations	<ul> <li>What the YPC is</li> <li>How the youth they work with may be strong candidates and why they should apply</li> <li>How the youth they work with can apply</li> </ul>	Encourage youth in grades 8 through 11 to apply to the YPC

## **Suggested Outreach Channels**

To promote the application, we encouraged you to use a variety of channels during the application period so we can reach a higher number of individuals from diverse audiences. Suggested channels include:



- Direct emails using listservs and distribution lists
- Newsletters and bulletins
- Social media platforms such as Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, and Instagram
- Webinars
- Website announcements and press releases

Below are some considerations for promoting on social media:

- Optimize content for each platform by understanding the audience. LinkedIn followers will most likely be professionals, parents, or teachers, while Instagram followers will most likely be younger in age.
- Diversify messaging/graphics across platforms to keep audiences engaged.
- Research (Source: Zenesys) suggests that posting during lunch hours on the weekdays is most effective for Instagram and Twitter, posting during lunch hours on the weekends is the most effective for Facebook, and posting in the morning on the weekdays is most effective for LinkedIn.
- Include a call-to-action for interested users to take action/learn more.



## **Promotional Messaging Directly Targeting Youth**

The below sample messages are geared towards social media platforms, which are commonly used by young people. All messages should include a link to the application and any approved hashtags.

Link:https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypcPosting Frequency:1-2 status updates a week from Jan. 23 to March 6, 2023Main Hashtags:#YPC2023, #YouthPrepTip:Use location-based geotags for your region and/or hashtags aligned to your school or organization to reach a wider audience.

- FEMA wants to hear from teens ready to lead in emergency management and community resilience. Apply to the Youth Preparedness Council today! #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- You can play a role in strengthening community resilience and helping FEMA promote and sustain a prepared nation. Join a team of like-minded peers by applying to FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council. #YPC2023 #YouthPrep

https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc

- Ready to represent your community as a young leader and help FEMA build a culture of preparedness? Apply to FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council today! #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- FEMA is looking for young leaders like you to build a culture of preparedness. Join the Youth Preparedness Council to help your communities be safer, more prepared, and more resilient.
   #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <a href="https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc">https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</a>
- Are you interested in learning more about a career in emergency management? Join a team of like-minded peers by applying to FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council. You'll gain valuable experience and expand your leadership skills. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- Ready to apply your leadership skills and learn more about emergency management? Join FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council! #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- Have ideas to strengthen your community's preparedness? Apply to FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council to be part of a group of young leaders who can impact the nation's preparedness.
   #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- Are you interested in learning how to improve climate resilience or disaster-related mental health outcomes in your community? Tell us in your Youth Preparedness Council application and you





could join a team of like-minded peers to share your perspective with FEMA. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <a href="https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc">https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</a>

 Looking for an extracurricular activity to boost your college application while making a difference in your community? Apply to join FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council! #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>

## Promotional Messaging Targeting Educators, Parents, and Organizations

FEMA developed the below sample messages for parents, educators, administrators, community leaders, etc. who might know teens interested in the YPC. These messages are ideal for social media platforms such as Twitter and Facebook. However, feel free to use these messages on any social media platform (LinkedIn, Instagram). Be sure to include a link to the application.

Link:	https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc
Posting Frequency:	1–2 status updates per week between Jan. 23 to March 6, 2023
Main Hashtag:	#YPC2023, #YouthPrep
Tip:	Use location-based geotags for your region and/or hashtags aligned to your
	school or organization to reach a wider audience.

#### FACEBOOK/LINKEDIN

 Spread the news! FEMA wants to hear from teens ready to lead in emergency management by participating in the Youth Preparedness Council! The application period is now open through March 6, 2023. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep

https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc

- FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) encourages teens to use their unique perspectives and experiences to make a difference in their communities. Let the teens in your life know that the YPC application period is open now through March 6, 2023. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- Do you know any teens who want to build leadership skills while making a difference in their community? FEMA is now accepting applications for its Youth Preparedness Council. Spread the word with students in your community by letting them know about this unique opportunity.
   #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <a href="https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc">https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</a>
- Do you work with young leaders interested in improving climate resilience and disaster-related mental health outcomes in their community? Let them know that FEMA is now accepting applications for its Youth Preparedness Council! Applications close March 6. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>



- FEMA wants to hear from young people ready to get more involved in emergency management and community resilience by joining its Youth Preparedness Council. Help us get the word out by sharing this opportunity with students you know. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- Spread the news! FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council gives teens a unique opportunity to make a difference in their community while gaining valuable experience that will prepare them for college, a professional career, and a life of service. Applications are open until March 6.
   #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <a href="https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc">https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</a>
- It is never too early for young people to get a glimpse of what a career in emergency management involves! The Youth Preparedness Council brings together like-minded peers to help FEMA build climate and community resilience. Spread the word! #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council gives teenagers in grades 8–11 an opportunity to strengthen resilience in their communities and help FEMA promote national preparedness. Tell a teen in your life about this unique opportunity. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>

### TWITTER

 Do you know a student who wants to represent their community, make a positive impact, learn, and grow? FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council was made for them! The application period is open, so share the news! #YPC2023, #YouthPrep

https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc

- FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council is looking for young leaders who have helped their communities get more prepared for disasters. The application period is now open until March 6, so spread the news! #YPC2023, #YouthPrep https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc
- Know a young student leader with a passion for disaster preparedness? FEMA is now accepting applications for its Youth Preparedness Council through March 6, 2023. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>
- Spread the news! FEMA wants to hear from teens who are ready to lead in emergency management by applying to join the Youth Preparedness Council! The application period is now open through March 6, 2023. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc



 Retweet this news! FEMA is looking for young leaders interested in improving climate resilience and disaster-related mental health outcomes. Students in grades 8-11 are encouraged to join the Youth Preparedness Council and help their communities become safer and more prepared. #YPC2023, #YouthPrep <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u>



## Sample Outreach Products

## **Email Targeting Youth**

Sending e-mail blasts about the YPC application period is an effective way to announce the release of the application and share reminders. You can use the below message as a starting point.

## Become a Member of the Youth Preparedness Council

Are you a young leader passionate about disaster preparedness and making a positive impact on your community's resilience? The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is committed to actively involving students like you in preparedness activities through the Youth Preparedness Council (YPC). Apply today to be a part of the YPC and share your voice with FEMA!

#### What is the YPC?

YPC members meet regularly to develop disaster preparedness projects, share feedback with FEMA staff, and learn about emergency preparedness. They also attend the YPC Summit in Washington, DC where they work with their peers to develop preparedness project proposals and network with FEMA leaders and other emergency management professionals.

#### Why Should You Apply?

The YPC provides an opportunity for you to make a difference in your community and work with a group of like-minded peers towards building a more resilient nation. It also allows you to gain valuable experience in emergency preparedness. If you are ready to collaborate with peers and improve your leadership and project management skills, apply today!

#### How to Apply?

The YPC application period opens on Jan. 23, 2023 and closes March 6, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. PT. Students in grades 8 through 11 are eligible to apply. Selected candidates will be notified by June 2023.

To learn more about the YPC and application requirements, visit <u>ready.gov/kids/youth-preparedness-council</u> and visit <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u> to apply. FEMA will also host two informational webinars for potential applicants on <u>Jan. 30, 2023</u> and <u>Feb. 28, 2023</u>.



## **Email Targeting Parents, Educators, and Organizations**

Consider using the sample messages below to send an e-mail to promote the YPC application.

## FEMA Now Accepting Youth Preparedness Council Applications

Do you know a young leader who is passionate about making a positive impact on their community? The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is looking for students in grades 8 through 11 interested in supporting disaster preparedness to join the Youth Preparedness Council (YPC).

#### Why Is It Important for Youth to Apply?

FEMA created the Youth Preparedness Council in 2012 to bring together young leaders from across the country who are interested in disaster preparedness and community service. The YPC demonstrates FEMA's commitment to involve America's youth in preparedness-related activities. It also provides young people an opportunity to present their perspectives, feedback, and opinions to FEMA staff.

During their terms, YPC members can make a difference in their community, gain valuable leadership and emergency management experience, and work with like-minded peers to help strengthen preparedness and resilience across the country.

#### What do YPC members do?

YPC members meet with FEMA staff throughout their term to develop strategies, initiatives, and project proposals. YPC members will also participate in the YPC summit held in Washington, DC with FEMA leaders and other preparedness professionals to network and learn more about the field.

#### Who should join the YPC?

Students in grades 8 through 11 who have a passion for preparedness and helping others, are involved in their community, and have an aptitude for working on teams and as leaders.

#### Spread the Word!

You can spread the word by sharing information about the YPC with parents, educators, schools, organizations and reaching out to friends and family! Do you know a student who would make a great candidate? Encourage them to apply today!

#### How to Apply?

The online application opens on Jan. 23, 2023, and closes March 6, 2023, 11:59 p.m. PT. To learn more about the YPC and application requirements, visit <u>ready.gov/kids/youth-preparedness-council</u> and visit <u>https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</u> to apply. FEMA will also host two webinars for potential applicants on Jan. 30, 2023 and Feb. 28, 2023.

## **Sample Newsletter Article**

## FEMA's YPC Application Period Opens Jan. 23





Do you know a teen who has a passion for preparedness? Starting Jan. 23, 2023, FEMA will accept applications for its 2023 Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) from youth in grades 8 through 11.

Since 2012, FEMA has been brining together young people from across the nation who have a interest in preparedness and community service. Each year, teens apply to the YPC for an opportunity to join FEMA in moving people to action. As part of the YPC, members meet peers from across the country, build leadership skills, represent their schools and communities, and share their perspectives, feedback, and opinions with FEMA. Members will also participate in the YPC Summit, held in Washington, DC.

The application period begins on Jan. 23, 2023 and ends March 6, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. PT. The application will be available at <a href="https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc">https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc</a>. Those who apply should express what preparedness means to them and how their skills and background can help strengthen FEMA's work. Responses should provide a well-rounded view of those who apply from their schoolwork, community service, and leadership. Applicants can apply through either a written or video response.

If you know a teen who is interested in preparedness and community service, please encourage them to apply! Help us spread the word about this year's YPC by using #YPC2023 #YouthPrep on social media when sharing this news. Bookmark <u>this link</u> for when the application goes live on Jan. 23.

To learn more about the YPC and its current members, visit <u>ready.gov/kids/youth-preparedness-</u> <u>council</u>. FEMA will also host two webinars for potential applicants on <u>Jan. 30, 2023</u> and <u>Feb. 28,</u> <u>2023</u>.



## **Sample Graphics**

The following images can be used for posts on social media such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and LinkedIn. Refer to the previous "Suggested Outreach Channels" for captions to pair with these graphics. Don't forget to include the hashtags #YPC2023, #YouthPrep

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The following images can be used for story posts on platforms like Facebook and Instagram. Consider tagging @FEMA to direct your story viewers to links and resources from FEMA. You can also include the hashtags #YPC2023, #YouthPrep





# <u>Strengthening Families Program 10-14 New</u> <u>Facilitator Training and Certification (In-</u> <u>Person)</u>

Submitted by Anamaria. Martin... on Thu, 01/19/2023 - 08:52

This training will be in-person and is for SFP 10-14 new facilitators who will be working in a team of three to deliver the evidence-based prevention program to families in their local communities.

The training will include:

- an introduction to SFP 10-14,
- review and practice of the 7-week program in a team setting,
- review of the research and current updates,
- discussion- and experiential-based engagement with the curriculum and participants,
- readiness-primer to discuss implementation, logistics, technology, recruitment, and retention, and
- technical support for next steps.

Training Dates: February 27 - March 1, 2023

Time: 8:30 am - 5 pm

Location: Bremerton, Washington (specific location TBA)

Trainer: AnaMaria Diaz Martinez (National Trainer) <u>a.martinez@wsu.edu</u>

Training Cost: \$0.0

Meals: On your own.

#### Registration Closes: February 22, 2023

Registration: <u>https://wsu.col.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_eLovjsu1f5f9p2e</u>

For training or registration information or

questions: <u>sfp.1014@wsu.edu</u> or <u>a.martinez@wsu.edu</u>. For ADA accommodations or site/location questions contact Laura Hyde <u>lhyde@kitsap.gov</u>

Date and Time:

February 27, 2023 - 8:30am to March 1, 2023 - 5:00pm Category: Training Location: Bremerton, Washington (specific site location TBA) Registration Link: Event registration website

