



County Youth Board Member Position Description

Title: Texas Extension County Youth Board Member

Youth Board Advisor: County Extension Agent –4-H and Youth Development or other county Extension agent

Purpose of the Youth Board: To ensure that programs relevant to local needs are being developed and implemented.

Benefits of serving on the Youth Board:

- Be a significant part of the educational process
- See the impact the youth board has in the county
- See the positive change in program participants
- Develop skills you can use for the rest of your life

Responsibilities of the Youth Board: The Youth Board is responsible for educational programs associated with youth development. Members typically serve for 2 years. The board's six specific functions are

- To assist the county Extension agent (CEA) with the planning phase of programming.
- To assist the CEA with the implementation phase of programming.
- To assist the CEA with the evaluation phase of programming.
- To assist the CEA with the interpretation phase of programming.
- To assist the CEA with committee membership

rotation to ensure optimum representation and diversity.

- To use the best management practices for financial management adopted by The Texas A&M University System and Texas Extension.

Qualifications and special skills:

- Resides in the community or county
- Is interested in youth development
- Has a broad, general perspective of the issues related to youth development in the county
- Represents the program's targeted audience
- Has good visioning and communication skills
- Is interested in the quality of life of the county

Time required: The board usually meets two or three times a year. These meetings require 4 to 10 hours per year. In addition, about 10 hours may be needed to carry out individual responsibilities. Task force or coalition members who are appointed because of their expertise in a specific area will require more time.

Resources and support available: The county Extension staff will provide the training you need to be a successful Youth Board member. Additional information is available at <http://texasvolunteer.tamu.edu/>

If interested, respond to: The Texas Extension office in your county