



CITY HEROES

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A PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH

WHY JOIN?

Be a **LEADER** - don't wait to be a leader of tomorrow,
be a leader of **TODAY!**

Learn about and confront social issues and

MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE

Take part in meaningful **COMMUNITY SERVICE**
projects such as:

Painting **MURALS**,
VISITING with the elderly &
PLANTING community gardens

Meet **NEW FRIENDS** & different people
from all over our community!

TO APPLY FOR CITY HEROES:

1. **Fill out this application completely**
(also available online)
2. **Have your parent/guardian sign the application.**
3. **Give the recommendation form to a coach, teacher or adult mentor** to complete and return to you or send in.
4. **Send everything to City Year City Heroes** at the address on the last page, or fax it to the number listed
IF YOU FAX IT, please call CY to confirm receipt.



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ABOUT YOUR INTERESTS

Please describe any activities you have done with your school and/or during your spare time (examples: sports, music, reading, student groups, band, volunteering, clubs, etc.).

SERVICE BACKGROUND

Have you ever performed community service or volunteer work? If so where, when, and what? If you have not done volunteer work, please describe an example of how you have worked to be a positive influence on other people and/or your community.

Is there somewhere that you would like the opportunity to do service? If so, where and what type of service would you like to perform?

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SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (Feel free to use an extra sheet of paper)

Why do you want to join City Heroes?

Who do you consider to be one of your Heroes? Why?

What leadership skills would you like to gain as a part of the City Heroes Program?

What do you feel you could contribute to the City Heroes Program?

If you could address one issue facing your community today, what would it be? Why?

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RECOMMENDATION

Please send in one recommendation from someone who knows you well but is not related to you, such as a teacher, coach, employer or other community leader. Use the form provided or ask your recommender to write a letter specifically addressing whether s/he believes the City Heroes program is a good match for you, and why you will be successful as a City Hero.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE - REQUIRED

All applications must be signed by you and your parent/guardian (unless you are 18 or over). By signing this application, you are stating that all of the information in this packet is true to the best of your knowledge. You also allow City Heroes to call your child/legal ward for an interview, as well as to contact any reference s/he has provided.

PRIMARY Parent/Guardian Signature (unless applicant is 18 or over)

Date

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- About You
- About Your Parents/Guardians
- About Your Interests
- Service Background
- Short Answer Questions
- Parent/Guardian Signature
- One Recommendation
- One Interview

Please send completed application and recommendation form by:

October 23, 2010

City Heroes
c/o City Year Los Angeles
606 S. Olive St., 2nd Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90014
Phone: 213.596.5901
Fax: 213.596.5910



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CITY HEROES 2011 Recommendation Form

I. TO THE APPLICANT

Please fill out this box and hand this form to your recommender. **Remember, your recommender should be a coach, teacher or adult mentor (not a friend or relative).**

Applicant's Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address _____
Street Apt. # City State Zip Code

II. TO THE RECOMMENDER

The young person named above is applying to be a participant in **CITY YEAR'S CITY HEROES** program. City Heroes unites a diverse group of high school students in service-learning activities and leadership development opportunities.

Run and led by City year staff and corps members, City Heroes work in teams to explore and discuss social issues and to provide both direct and physical community service on weekends between November.

The City Heroes program requires participants to be committed, willing to try new experiences and exhibit a positive "can-do" attitude. Your input is a very important part of the application process, and we greatly appreciate your assistance.

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF THIS FORM AND RETURN IT TO THE APPLICANT OR MAIL/FAX IT TO THE CITY YEAR SITE LISTED BELOW AS SOON AS IS CONVENIENTLY POSSIBLE.

Recommender's Name _____
Position and Organization (if appropriate)

Telephone _____
Primary Phone # (optional) Secondary #

Relation to Applicant: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Please See Additional Questions on the Next Page

If you have questions, please contact the City Heroes staff at **213.596.5901**

You may return this recommendation form to the Applicant, OR:
If you are mailing this recommendation form, please send it to the address listed below:

**606 S. Olive Street
Los Angeles Ca, 90014**

If you are faxing this form,, please fax it to: **213.596.5910**
Please call the number above to confirm receipt of your fax

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND FOR HELPING THIS YOUNG PERSON

APPLICANT NAME: _____

I. Rating the Applicant

Please rate the applicant on the following attributes based on a scale from 1-5:
(1=lowest rating, 5=highest rating)

						Comments
Follows through on commitment:	1	2	3	4	5	
Gets along with peers:	1	2	3	4	5	
Likes new challenges:	1	2	3	4	5	
Has a positive attitude:	1	2	3	4	5	
Willing to follow directions:	1	2	3	4	5	
Potential to be a leader:	1	2	3	4	5	
Easily motivated:	1	2	3	4	5	

II. Short Answer Questions

1) What are the first words that come to mind when you think of the applicant? Please explain.

2) *City Heroes participants learn about and then discuss/debate social issues such as Poverty, Violence, Homelessness, and Perceptions of Youth, as well as participating in hands-on community service projects that relate to these topics.*

How well do you think this applicant will engage in these discussions, and why?

How effective do you think the applicant will be in engaging in community service, and why?

3) Please provide any additional information you wish to share with us regarding the applicant.