



Washington City

Where Dixie Begins

Youth Council



Youth Council 2012-2013

Application Deadline

February 29, 2012

The Washington City Youth Council started back in October 2010. We have 15 members from the local High Schools (Pine View, Desert Hills, & Mill Creek) on the board and a City Council Liaison, Volunteer Advisor from the community as well as a staff representative from Washington City. **Applicants must be a Washington City Resident residing in zip code 84780.**

Council Members include the following:

- Youth Mayor/Chair
- Vice Chair/City Manager
- Council Members (3)
- Executive Assistant
- Treasurer
- Historian
- City Attorney

- City Lobbyist
- Parliamentarian
- High School Representatives
- Leisure Services Chair
- Social Chair
- City Planner
- Public Relations Chair
- Committee Members

Some of the subjects/events that will be implemented by the youth council this year are as follows:

- Education on Parliamentary Procedure
- Veterans Day Parade, Program and lunch service
- Christmas in Dixie
- Youth Open Forums
- Washington City Night
- Spooktacular Carnival
- Cotton Days
- City Council Neighborhood Meetings/Open Houses
- Kibbles for K9-Cop Talent Show/Dog Park Grand Opening Fundraiser
- Shadow Dogs/Dixie Direct Books Fundraisers
- Dogtown Half Marathon, 9K & 5K Volunteers
- Christmas Light Removal Service Project for local Senior Citizens
- Coins for Kids (Sub for Santa Shopping) Service Project
- Education on City Government (Trip to Utah State Capitol)
- Training and year-end retreats
- YCC 2012 (30th Annual Association of Youth Councils Leadership Institute)
- The planning and execution of a "legacy project"

The Washington City Youth Council was established to engage the youth of the community in being more involved and understanding what is happening and why it is happening. Being a more informed community has to start at a young age when they can begin to understand the importance of their roles and the knowledge that they have to give.

Washington City Youth Council Syllabus

Description: The Washington City Youth Council is an official youth organizational council adopted by the City Council of Washington, Utah. The Washington City Youth Council will be established with the intent to provide the youth of Washington an opportunity to voice their opinion and share a role in the decision-making of our City Issues. An interview committee consisting of City Officials, Youth Council Members, and Advisors selects the youth council positions. Upon nomination and members are governed by the bylaws ratified by the Washington City Council. Each member of the board shares in the responsibilities of the board.

Application: If you are interested in participating with the Washington City Youth Council, please fill out the attached application and return it to either City Hall or Washington City Community Center by Friday, November 4th 2011. The new council will be selected in April 2012.

Attendance: Attendance is mandatory. The Washington City Youth Council holds their bi-monthly meeting at Washington City Hall at 5:00 PM. Those serving on the Executive Council attend meetings starting at 4:00PM. By Invitation many of the members of the City Council, the Mayor or other members of Management will be in attendance to help discuss pertinent and timely information about city government. Each meeting is vital and the group works jointly with the mayor and council to address local current issues and brainstorm how to improve city conditions for the future generations and the present community. Participation in community service projects, speaking engagements, and various activities is expected.

Events: The Washington City Youth Council volunteers many hours of community service and organizes their own events and service projects to promote their council and give back to the community, this is known as a "legacy project." A major project of the Washington City Youth Council has been the organization and implementation of Washington Cotton Days. Other activities include: Christmas in Dixie, Washington City Night, Kibbles for K9-Cop Talent Show/Fundraiser and others yet to be determined.

Info: For additional information contact Wendi Bulkley at wendi@washingtoncity.org or at 435-656-6353.



WASHINGTON CITY YOUTH COUNCIL APPLICATION FORM

Full Name _____ E-Mail _____
Address _____ Zip _____
Telephone _____ BirthDate _____ Age _____
School _____ GPA _____ Parents' Name _____
Parents' Address (if different) _____
Parents' Telephone _____ Work _____
In Case of Emergency, notify _____ Telephone _____
Address _____ Relationship _____

What school activities are you (or have you been) involved in? Positions/Offices? Awards/Honors?

What types of activities or extracurricular activities have you been involved in? Positions/Offices? Honors/Awards?

Why do you want to be a member of the Washington City Youth Council?

What qualities do you have that would benefit the Washington City Youth Council?

Why is youth involvement important in the community?

What types of community projects/service would you like to be a part of?

Time commitment: The Washington City Youth Council meets the first and third Wednesday's each month at 5:00 p.m. In addition, your help will be necessary for various service projects, council meetings, and activities. You will serve for one year. How will you meet this commitment?

All Applications need to be accompanied by two (2) letters of recommendation. One (1) from your School, and one (1) from a source that has intimate knowledge of your personality, work ethics, and abilities.

IN CONSIDERATION for being permitted to undertake and participate in the Activities, Applicant, on behalf of himself/herself, his/her successors, and assigns, as well as all guests, invitees and attendees, hereby releases and forever waives and discharges—and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless—Washington City, its successors, assigns, directors, officers, agents, representatives, employees, both jointly and severally, from any and all actions, covenants, claims and demands for damages or injuries, costs or losses, however arising, which may have been or may be sustained by Applicant, (as well as all guests, invitees and attendees), in any way relating to or arising out of use of the city facilities and participation in the Activities. Applicant desires and hereby agrees to assume all risks to himself/herself, (as well as all guests, invitees and attendees), associated with the use of city facilities and participation in the Activities.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

The parent/guardian of my son/daughter hereby grants permission for _____ to participate in Washington City Youth Council activities and will assume responsibility for transporting my son/daughter to and from all said activities. The parent/guardian has read the above statement. He/she understands and agrees to the waiver as stated.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Applications must be turned in by February 29th 2012.

Take completed applications to:

**Wendi Bulkley
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Washington, UT 84780
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