

WHAT IS A YAC? (yāk, n.)

Youth Advisory Councils are comprised of young people from a range of age groups and backgrounds who want to make a difference in their community.

Youth Advisory Councils are being formed all over the world in both the private and public sectors. In Canada there are over 40 YACs that work with community foundations*.

Young people who form Youth Advisory Councils (YACs) have the support of national and international Youth in Philanthropy (YIP) programs.

HOW DOES YOUTH IN PHILANTHROPY (YIP) BENEFIT COMMUNITIES?

- Through engagement with community foundations, youth develop leadership skills, learn about community, community foundations and philanthropy, build a youth endowment fund, and provide grants to worthwhile youth projects in their community.
- Other youth in the community benefit from the skills gained in developing and implementing projects, and still others as recipients of the resources or services provided by the projects themselves.
- The community foundation and the community-at-large benefit from their involvement with youth, both now and in the future, as they invest in building the interest and capacity for youth participation in philanthropy and civil society.

* The Campbellford/Seymour Community Foundation is a locally-run public foundation that builds and manages endowment funds to support charitable activities in the Campbellford/Seymour area. All community foundations are autonomous and governed by a volunteer board of local leaders. There are over well over 100 community foundations in Canada and they are linked and supported at the national level through Community Foundations of Canada.

YOUTH IN RECREATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Grants are available through the Campbellford/Seymour Community Foundation for projects that encourage broadly-based participation in healthy, safe and quality community recreation for children and youth. YAC members review all youth-concerned grant applications and make recommendations to the CSCF's Grants Committee.

HATCH GRANTS PROGRAM

Small grants for empowering youth born projects and developing philanthropy at the root of our future society. Youth leaders are given the opportunity to promote the potential for grants to local public schools to be developed as class projects.

CAMPBELLFORD/SEYMOUR YAC

- Formed in 2003 and is a committee of the Campbellford/Seymour Community Foundation (CSCF).
- Will act as a catalyst to ensure all youth interests are represented in all CSCF decisions.
- Will focus on bringing youthful energy and ideas to the community of Campbellford/ Seymour.
- Will make recommendations to the CSCF Grants Committee for eligible projects relating to youth.
- Will give Campbellford/Seymour youth a voice and a forum.
- Will provide mentorship and facilitate leadership opportunities for the youth in our community.

With the support of an adult advisor, YACs initiate youth driven ideas and develop youth to youth grantmaking strategies. In addition to training and experience in fund development and grantmaking, YAC members serve as active resources and leaders in their communities.

Interested? Got ideas? Get involved!



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