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ABOUT YOUTH GRANTMAKERS COUNCIL

The Youth GrantMakers Council (YGMC) is a program of the Greater Salina Community Foundation* that creates and supports exciting opportunities for Saline County youth to be active leaders in their community. YGMC gives money to youth-directed projects that address community issues and challenges. YGMC is unique because young people make the decisions about which youth projects get money for their ideas! Some past projects have been renovating a high school student lounge, remodeling a meeting room for a youth program, and purchasing a basketball goal for a church youth group.

Members of YGMC review project ideas submitted by youth in the community and then they decide which projects will be funded. They also learn about philanthropy and what it means to be a philanthropist. While serving on the council, members gain leadership and grant making skills that will be helpful into the future. Members must be willing to make a time commitment to the council. YGMC meetings are held twice a month (every other Monday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.). Throughout the year, there may be opportunities to participate in occasional training sessions, conferences, and volunteer projects. Members of YGMC are allowed to serve for multiple years, as long as they are of high school age and in good standing with the council.

The current members of YGMC are: Miranda Basinger, Ansley Bender, Lara Brockway, Dane Butts, Damion Cooper, Dekeysha Cooper, Hunter Lindquist, Kate Martens, Brooklyn McElderry, Cindy Nguyen, Vaughn Plumer, Sara Prendergast, William Reid, Jack Rhodes, Alyse Weishaar, and Emily Wood. YGMC is assisted by volunteers Ken Miller and Margaret Yarnevich, and by YGMC leader Jessica Martin.

Those who wish to apply for membership must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a resident of Saline County
- Must be a high school student in the 2012-2013 school year
- Must be interested in helping youth and the community
- Must have a desire to learn about leadership, grant making, and group consensus

* The Greater Salina Community Foundation is a collection of funds designed to link donors with charitable causes. In collaboration with our donors, the Foundation strives to enhance all areas of life including, but not limited to, education, environment, civic and human services, health care, and the arts. The Greater Salina Community Foundation is not so much a *place* to give, but a *way* to give. Learn more at www.gscf.org.



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YGMC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (Check List)

Nineteen (19) copies of complete applications* must be turned in to YGMC or postmarked no later than **April 13, 2012** to:

The Greater Salina Community
Attn: YGMC (Jessica Martin)
113 N. 7th Street, Ste 201
P.O. Box 2876
Salina, KS 67402-2876

* A complete application includes the following:

(Items to be turned in by the applicant)

- YGMC Membership Application- Information Page
- YGMC Membership Application- Questionnaire
- YGMC Membership Application- References

Note- One copy of the Adult and Peer YGMC Membership Recommendation forms will also need to be submitted by April 13, 2012, by the applicant's references.



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YGMC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (Information Page)

APPLICATION MUST BE WRITTEN IN PEN OR TYPED

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Gender: M ___ F ___

Parents: _____ Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

School: _____ Grade Level: _____

How did you learn about YGMC? (or from whom?) _____

Attendance is very important. Are you able to attend...

- our Monday night meetings at 6:30 pm? Yes ___ No ___
- our all day Kick Off Retreat on August 12th (Date tentative) Yes ___ No ___

Please list activities in which you are involved (involvement in other activities is NOT required to serve in the YGMC.)

School Related

Non- School Related

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Employment: _____ Hours per Week: _____



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YGMC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (References)

In addition to the information and questionnaire that you fill out, all applicants must provide two references—one adult and one peer. Each reference must fill out the provided recommendation forms included in this packet and return the forms to YGMC by April 13, 2012. **If these forms are not returned to our office by April 13, 2012, your application will not be accepted. Relatives may not be used as references.**

Please list your references below:

Adult: _____ Phone: _____

Peer: _____ Phone: _____



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YGMC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (Questionnaire)

Please answer the following questions. If you need more space, please use another sheet of paper **and label it** so we will know where to find your answers.

1. What are your leadership strengths and weaknesses?
2. Why do you want to be a member of YGMC?
3. What are the best and worst qualities about Saline County?
4. If you could change something in your community today, what would it be and why? How would you go about making the change?
5. Is donating your time and money to organizations important to you? Why?
6. Attendance is very important. Are you able to commit to the meetings and the all day kick off retreat?



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YGMC Membership Recommendation Form (Adult)

Your Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Applicant Name: _____

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1. What is your relationship to the applicant and how long have you known him/her?

2. How would you describe this applicant's ability to work in a group setting?

3. What strengths does this applicant have that would help him/her as a member?

YGMC Membership Recommendation Form-Adult (Continued)

4. What weaknesses does this applicant have that would hinder his/her ability to contribute to the council?

5. Why does this person deserve to be on the council: work ethic, leadership, etc.?

6. Do you feel this person will speak up and voice his/her opinion?

7. Is there anything else you would like us to know about this applicant?

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YGMC Membership Recommendation Form (Peer)

Your Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Applicant Name: _____

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1. What is your relationship to the applicant and how long have you known him/her?

2. How would you describe this applicant's ability to work in a group setting?

3. What strengths does this applicant have that would help him/her as a member?

YGMC Membership Recommendation Form-Peer (Continued)

4. What weaknesses does this applicant have that would hinder his/her ability to contribute to the council?

5. Why does this person deserve to be on the council: work ethic, leadership, etc.?

6. Do you feel this person will speak up and voice his/her opinion?

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