

## YOUTH GRANTMAKING BOARD

2017–2018 APPLICATION FORM

The Youth Grantmaking Board is a unique opportunity for sophomores, juniors and seniors in high school within King County to learn how philanthropy can create positive change in their community. Supported by staff of Seattle Foundation’s grantmaking team and community experts, Youth Grantmaking Board members gain the tools they need to make an impact on issues critical to the King County community. By the end of the program, the Youth Grantmaking Board will have collectively chosen an issue, participated in site visits of organizations, and decided which organization(s) to fund. YGB recommends up to \$20,000 in Seattle Foundation grants to local nonprofits every year.

To be part of the Youth Grantmaking Board, you must care about your community, understand your community’s needs, and be willing to have a discussion with your peers about issues facing the community. You should be able to express your opinion in a way that is respectful to opposing ideas. You must be responsible, dedicated, reliable and committed to attending all the meetings. Attendance at the meetings is essential for keeping up with the fast pace of the material. The program comes at no cost to participants, and snacks are provided at all meetings.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Current grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Current age: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian(s) name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian(s) phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian(s) email(s): \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about YGB?

Is this your first time applying to YGB? If not, please indicate year(s):

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**DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION** *(The following information is optional. Providing this info will help Seattle Foundation ensure diversity in each Youth Grantmaking Board.)*

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Gender Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Race / Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL STATEMENT** *(450 words or less. Please attach a separate page.)*

What most appeals to you about joining the Youth Grantmaking Board and what do you hope to gain from the experience? What issues/needs do you see in the community that could benefit from more funding?

**EXTRACURRICULAR, VOLUNTEER, LEADERSHIP AND WORK HISTORY**

List up to five volunteer, leadership, extracurricular or employment activities, as well as any other important experiences in which you made a contribution, assumed responsibility, or developed new skills (such as communication and critical thinking).

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

Please share what skills you would like to develop through YGB?

## 2017-18 YOUTH GRANTMAKING BOARD SCHEDULE

*Please review the schedule to confirm there aren't any standing commitments that might interfere with attendance. All meetings, except for orientation and site visits, are held on Sundays at Seattle Foundation's office 1601 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1900, Seattle, WA 98101. Attendance is required at all meetings, unless discussed with Saúl in advance.*

Date	Time	Purpose
1. <b>Wednesday, January 10</b>	5:30 – 7:30pm	<b>Orientation</b> Introductions & overview of YGB and Seattle Foundation.
2. <b>Sunday, January 21</b>	12:00 – 4:00pm	<b>Issues &amp; Mission Statement</b> Discuss of King County needs & narrow board's focus for grantmaking.
3. <b>Sunday, February 4</b>	12:00 – 4:00pm	<b>Area Experts &amp; NPO Panel</b> Based on the issues the board has identified, hear from leaders in the nonprofit area.
4. <b>Sunday, March 11</b>	12:00 – 4:00pm	<b>Grant Applications &amp; Site Visit Prep</b> Review the grant applications & select organizations to site visit.
5. <b>March–April</b>	TBD	<b>Site visits</b> The organization's availability to host a site visit will determine the timing. Each participant will be asked to attend at least two site visits.
6. <b>Sunday, April 22</b>	12:00 – 4:00pm	<b>Decision Day</b> Post-site visit deliberation to determine this year's grantee(s).
7. <b>May</b>	TBD	<b>Celebration</b> End of year event to recognize your work & honor the nonprofits you selected for funding.



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## ADULT ACADEMIC OR MENTOR REFERENCE (NON-RELATIVE)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND SIGNATURE

*I have carefully reviewed the YGB meeting schedule and location details on page 3 and confirm that I do not have any standing commitments that might interfere with my attendance. I understand that participation is limited, and if accepted to the Board I will actively participate and attend **all** meetings.*

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have reviewed the YGB meeting schedule and location details on page 3 and confirm the applicant does not have any standing commitments that might interfere with attendance. I understand participation is limited, and if the applicant is accepted to the Board the applicant will actively participate and attend **all** meetings. I have reviewed this application, and I authorize my child / legal ward to apply to Seattle Foundation's Youth Grantmaking Board.*

Parent / Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## THE DEADLINE TO APPLY IS FRIDAY, DEC. 15, AT 11:59 P.M.

*Space is limited and we encourage you to apply early.*

Please return application to Saúl Valdez, Seattle Foundation

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