



United Way of Central Indiana Youth Leadership Initiative



Application Form – 2011-12

Please type or print in ink

1. Name _____

2. Address _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

3. Telephone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____ E-Mail _____

4. Grade during **2011-12** School Year: Freshman ____ Sophomore ____ Junior ____

5. High School Name _____ School Corporation _____

6. **Parent/Guardian Name(s)** _____

Parent/Guardian Address _____

Parent/Guardian Telephone (Work) _____ (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Emergency Contact (If parent or guardian is not available):

Name _____ (Work) _____ (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Relationship to applicant _____

7. Identify your personal strengths, talents and skills:

8. List your extracurricular **school** activities, including sports: _____

9. Other organizational affiliations (clubs, scouts, etc.) _____

10. Describe your volunteer experience: _____

11. In your own words, what is a leader? _____

12. **Attach a written letter of recommendation from an adult, non-family member. (such as a teacher, mentor, youth worker, counselor, minister, etc.)** Ask them to state reasons why they feel you would be a good choice for this leadership program.
13. **Attach a 200-word essay about a community leader (not a family member) that you admire and why you admire that leader.** The essay should be typed and double spaced.
14. If accepted to the program, a fee of \$30.00 will be charged to the participant.
15. I have completed this application and I agree that, if selected, I will participate in the opening retreat and the five additional sessions. I understand that missing the opening retreat or more than one of the other training sessions will forfeit my place in the class. I also agree to a placement with a nonprofit organization, on a board or committee, following graduation from this program.

Youth Signature _____

16. I have read this application and I give permission for my son or daughter to participate in the Youth Leadership Initiative. I give permission to photograph my child in the context of volunteering with United Way or for program publicity. I understand that information contained in this application may be shared with community nonprofit organizations to facilitate my son or daughter's board or committee assignment.

Parent or guardian signature _____ Date _____

Youth Leadership Initiative - Important Dates

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| November 4, 2011 | Deadline for applications |
| November 14, 15, 16 | Participant interviews |
| November 30 | Selection / notification letters sent |
| January 13-14, 2012 | Opening Retreat (Friday night – Saturday afternoon) |
| February 4 | Session 2 |
| February 18 | Session 3 |
| March 3 | Session 4 |
| March 17 | Session 5 |
| April 14 | Session 6 – Day of Service |
| June (TBD) | Graduation |

Only completed applications returned by 5 p.m. on November 4 will be considered. Applications, letters of recommendation, and essays may be faxed to 317.921.1355 by the deadline; however, the original application and signatures must be mailed to the Youth Leadership Initiative office:

Youth Leadership Initiative
 United Way of Central Indiana
 3901 N. Meridian St.
 Indianapolis, IN 46208

For more information about YLI, please contact Annie Smith at 317.920.2565 or annie.smith@uwci.org. This application form may be sent to you electronically by request, or downloaded off the YLI website at www.uwci.org/yli.