

Youth Action Board

Job Description

As a Youth Action Board member you will serve on a Board of up to 10 youth/young adults who use what you have learned from life experiences and come up with solutions to end youth homelessness in Charlotte. They inform The Relatives, Mecklenburg County Continuum of Care, policy makers, and legislators on ways to work with youth experiencing homelessness and provide them with guidance on how to improve homeless services.

Qualifications

- Be between the ages of 17 and 25
- Experience homelessness or being unstably housed currently or in the past
- Receive a recommendation from a Relatives staff member or a current YAB member

Responsibilities

- Attend monthly meetings
- Participate in 2 annual YAB events that (1) raise awareness of or (2) help address challenges that homeless youth face

Expectations

- Communicate with Relatives staff or YAB leadership when unable to attend a meeting, event or activity
- Participate in Board meetings by sharing ideas, solutions and perspective
- Make a one year commitment to serve on the Youth Action Board

Compensation and Support

- \$30 per hour for each board meeting or other meetings attended on behalf of the Youth Action Board. The Relatives staff or COC staff need to approve these meetings and have agreed they are YAB related.
- Transportation support
- Food will be provided at each Board meeting
- An adult ally support person will be available during all Youth Action Board meetings if needed.
- Childcare

Additional Benefits

Youth Action Board members will be trained on skills that you can use to put on your resume, get a job, and that will help you develop skills as a leader. Board members will also be making Charlotte a better place for youth who experience homelessness and helping to prevent them from becoming the next generation of adults experiencing homelessness.