



## ADULT APPLICATION INFORMATION

The City of Bellevue's Youth Link Board of Directors is currently accepting applications for **ADULT** board member(s) for the 2019-2021 term.

The purpose of the Youth Link Board of Directors is to promote diversity, unity, and equity for high school youth in the City of Bellevue and represent the youth voice to leadership in our community. The Bellevue Youth Link Board is a catalyst for responding to the interests and concerns of young people by engaging the entire community.

Youth Link Board envisions Bellevue as a city where all young people are:

- ✓ Involved
- ✓ Valued
- ✓ Respected
- ✓ Listened to
- ✓ Feel safe
- ✓ Are safe
- ✓ Can have fun!

The Youth Link Board of Directors is an advisory Board to the City Manager, City Council, and has a close working relationship with the Bellevue School District Board. The impact of the Youth Link Board is to enhance the quality of life for all members of the community.

The Youth Link Board of Directors is comprised of a minimum of 6 and maximum of 12 local high school youth **AND** 6 adult community members from diverse backgrounds (including, but not limited to: race, ethnicity, religion, nationality, abilities, sexual orientation, and/or socio-economic). Youth will represent the unique experiences from high schools across Bellevue.

We are currently looking to fill **2 ADULT position** vacancies for a 2-year term (2019-2021). All levels of experience are welcomed, previous experience is not necessary.

For any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our staff.

**Please return this application to:**  
**Patrick Alina or Cecilia Martinez-Vasquez**  
**City of Bellevue Parks & Community Services**  
**P O Box 90012, Bellevue, WA 98009-9012**  
**Patrick Alina at [Palina@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:Palina@bellevuewa.gov)**  
**Cecilia Martinez-Vasquez at [Cmartinezv@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:Cmartinezv@bellevuewa.gov)**



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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

PLEASE PRINT

FIRST NAME _____	LAST NAME _____
RACE OR ETHNICITY (Optional) _____	GENDER IDENTIFICATION (Optional) _____
PROFESSION _____	EMAIL _____
CELL PHONE _____	WORK PHONE _____
ADDRESS _____	CITY/ZIP CODE _____

For this application: **Race** is defined as a social construction attributed to a person's physical characteristics. **Ethnicity** is defined as group identification based on similarities such as ancestry, language, history, culture, or nation.

## EXPERIENCE

*Please describe your experience working with youth.*


If you need additional space to write, please submit separately.

## INTEREST QUESTION

*Please tell us why you are interested in becoming a Youth Link Board Member.* This may include – what you have heard or know about the Youth Link Board; lived experiences; a unique perspective you feel you could bring; or possible experiences you would like to have as a member of the Board.


If you need additional space to write, please submit separately.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

*Please describe any area(s) of expertise or skill sets* that may contribute to your role as a Youth Link Board Member, such as mentoring, teaching, coaching, previous board memberships, marketing, fundraising, or program development professional experience, legal work, etc.

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**PERSONAL QUESTION**

*Please tell us about yourself.* This may include: personal or family background; future goals or aspirations; what is your personality; overcoming adversity; values that are important to you; etc.

If you need additional space to write, please submit separately.

**YOUTH LINK BOARD REQUIREMENTS**

To be considered for the Youth Link Board you must meet the requirements and commit to the obligations listed below. ***If you are unable to meet one or more of these obligations, you may still be considered for a Youth Link Board position. Please tell us why you may not meet the obligations in the space provided below.***

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- A commitment to advancing the mission and vision of the Youth Link Board of Directors
- Live or work within the City of Bellevue boundaries
- Submit City of Bellevue volunteer forms
- Complete a Washington State Criminal History Report

**OBLIGATIONS:**

- Attend a Board Member Orientation to be schedule in late August/early September
- Attend 1 all-day retreat (typically on Saturday or Sunday in September/October)
- Attend 2 meetings per month from September to June (on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday) at different locations throughout the City of Bellevue (includes community centers and high schools)
- Notify via phone or email at least 24 hours prior to an absence from a meeting, unless it is due to an emergency
- Participate as a representative or liaison to community organizations as needed

- Attend the Annual Youth Link Board Gumbo Night, from 5:00 - 7:00PM (usually in March)
- Attend the Annual Community Leadership Awards Ceremony, from 6:00 - 8:00PM (usually in May)
- Act as a representative of the Youth Link Board at public events and in the community as needed

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print first and last name), have read and meet the requirements to apply for a Youth Link Board position. Furthermore, I have read and understand the obligations expected of me, if I am selected as a Youth Link Board member. I agree to those obligations and to uphold this commitment to best of my abilities.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If there's something that may prevent you from meeting the obligations listed above, please tell us why?

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Thank you for your interest in the Youth Link Board. We appreciate your time and dedication to this application process.

**Application deadline  
Friday, June 28, 2019**

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