

Updates to the Greenfield Scholarship program

Thank you for your interest in the Greenfield Youth Engagement position. Greenfield is a vibrant, multigenerational community. We are proud of our tradition of volunteerism and community involvement. Greenfield Community League provides facilities, services and programs that benefit our entire community: building and maintaining the community hall, tennis courts, skate shack, skating rinks, playground, and spray park; organizing free social events such as coffee in the park, New Year's Eve fireworks, and community celebrations; and providing leadership and engagement with greater Edmonton.

Greenfield Community League created the Greenfield Community Spirit Memorial Award in 2006 in honour of four community-minded Greenfield residents who died prematurely: Les Kathan, Lorne McMaster, Vergil Mergel and Rob Tchir. They each contributed appreciably to our community by coaching baseball, shinny hockey, and coordinating bingos.

Like these remembered individuals, eligible candidates embodied core values of citizenship and community spirit. However, just like a community changes and grows over time, the Community Spirit Memorial Award has continued to evolve and grow to meet the needs of Greenfield today.

We are pleased to introduce the shift from a Memorial award to a Greenfield Youth Engagement position on our Community Board. We invite all youth living in our community who are interested in leading our community to apply to serve a one year term with our board from October 2019 – June 2020. This board position will have two key areas of focus: to represent the voice of youth community members on our board; and to lead youth focused events throughout the year to engage our community across all age groups.

At the end of the year (June 2020), upon successful completion of the terms of service, the Board will present the Youth Engagement member with a \$1,000 honorarium in thanks for their commitment and service to the community. This honorarium is intended to support the volunteer in their post-secondary endeavors, and hope that they continue to be a community leader wherever they go.

Eligibility

1. Applicants must live within the boundaries of Greenfield Community, as bounded on the east by 111 Street, on the west by 119 Street, on the north by 40 Avenue, and on the south by 34 Avenue.
2. Applicants must be between the ages of 17 – 22 as of September 1st, 2019.
3. Applicants must be enrolled (or planning to enroll) in fulltime post-secondary education at an accredited institution in September following their volunteer commitment. For example, if an

applicant sat on the board from September 2020 – June 2021, they must be intending to enroll in full time classes in September of 2021.

4. Applicants may be in school (secondary / post-secondary) during their time on the community league board.

5. Applicants may serve no more than two years on the board. Volunteers completing a second term will be awarded a second honorarium for service to the community. Incumbent applicants are not guaranteed a second term but must submit an application and be re-evaluated to serve again.

6. If the successful applicant is deferring / must defer educational enrollment, honorariums will be held, without interest, for one year pending proof of enrollment. If the applicant is not enrolled in full time studies within one year of completing their volunteer time, they forfeit their honorarium back to the community.

Terms of Service

1. The Youth Engagement position will run from October, 2019 – August 31st, 2020. Start date to be confirmed.

2. The volunteer position is required to attend a minimum of 75% of board meetings (held the second Tuesday of every month from 7pm – 9pm).

3. The Youth Engagement member will lead a minimum of two youth focused activities; and / or two youth focused components of scheduled community events. For example as a minimum; the volunteer could run one youth oriented information session on community leadership; and a youth-led community clean-up as part of community league day.

4. The Youth Engagement member will represent the Board and our initiatives in the community and may be asked to represent Greenfield and its members at various events throughout the year.

Documentation Required

Applicants must provide the following:

- Proof of Address (Government Issued Identification; bank / financial statement/ registered mail)
- Proof of Birthdate
- Post Secondary confirmation of full time enrollment for the academic year following completion of volunteer position.

Documentation of successful applicants will be securely held for a minimum of three years; documentation of all other applicants will be securely held for one year.

Application process

Applicants must submit the following information to president@greenfieldcommunityleague.com no later than 11:59:59 on September 30th, 2019:

- Proof of Address
- Proof of Birthdate
- Resume (including both volunteer and paid employment)
- Application Essay (suggested length no more than 1,000 words) containing the following information:
 - What community means to me
 - My vision for the Youth Engagement position
 - How volunteering on the board will benefit me in the future

Emails should include the subject line: Youth Engagement application <<LAST NAME>> 2019

Adjudication

Applicants will be assessed on the following scoring as assessed from the application:

1. What community means to me (30 points)
2. My vision for the Youth Engagement position (25 points)
3. How volunteering on the board will benefit me in the future (10 points)
4. Work experience as it applies to community engagement /volunteering (5 points)

The top two applicants will be invited to meet with a panel of Board members, who will complete a further assessment based on the above criteria as well as suitability, maturity and fit (30 points).

All candidates will be notified of the results by October 15th, 2019.

Questions can be directed to Amanda Barros via president@greenfieldcommunityleague.com.