



# kc urban youth center

*offering urban youth Christian hope, community and wholeness*

Staff Use Only

Interview

Background

Accepted

## Volunteer Application

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

Address or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours a week are you interested in volunteering? What day(s) would work best for you?

What type of volunteer position are you most interested in?  
(please check any of the following)

mentor/tutor       athletics or health care       field trips

van driving/riding       facilities       Office help

mechanic

How did you hear about the Kansas City Urban Youth Center?

# KANSAS CITY URBAN YOUTH CENTER'S STATEMENT FOR THE PROTECTION OF YOUTH and VOLUNTEER POLICY

## Statement for the Protection for Youth and Children

Because The KCUYC is committed to the holistic renewal of the entire community of Beacon Hill, and believe that the children and youth represent Beacon Hill's best hope for the future we affirm that children and youth must be protected from economic, physical, and sexual exploitation and abuse. Holding firmly to these beliefs we encourage all of the people in Beacon Hill, every social agency serving the community, and every Church to do everything in our power to prevent physical, emotional and sexual abuse against children and youth involved in any ministry or program sponsored by every group working in Beacon Hill. Further, we are each called to minister to those persons who are experiencing abuse and to those who have been victims of abuse in the past. To that end, we covenant to be aware of our legal responsibilities and to comply with those responsibilities and to go beyond those responsibilities when necessary to act justly in the best interest of those who have been abused or those who are vulnerable to abuse.

## Volunteer Policy

The volunteer application and interview is designed to establish a profile of volunteers and their interests. This profile will be used by the Kansas City Urban Youth Center to determine qualification for service. As part of the assessment process, the staff of the KCUYC will elicit personal information from me. It is my responsibility to ensure that the program receives any necessary information that would aid in the assessment process. Non-compliance will result in withdrawal of consideration as a volunteer. I also understand that information contained on my application will be verified by the KCUYC. I understand that misrepresentations or omissions may be cause for my immediate rejection as an applicant for a volunteer position with the KCUYC or my termination as a volunteer.

I acknowledge that this application becomes the property of the KCUYC. All of the information I provided is accurate and is subject to verification by the KCUYC. I understand that all the information I provided to the KCUYC will be kept confidential. I acknowledge that in the event of the Kansas City Urban Youth Center's Volunteer Program determination of ineligibility, a reason for denial will not be provided or required.

I understand that I cannot meet with or have contact with the students at the KCUYC, who are under the age of 18, off-site without the supervision of the KCUYC staff. This includes exchanging of contact information (email, phone, address, MySpace, FACEBOOK, etc.) I also understand I shouldn't touch the students for correction at all. I also shouldn't touch the students for encouragement, unless they initiate contact, because they may have come from an environment where touch, any touch, is unwelcome. I understand that any kind of abuse: sexual, emotional, or physical will not be tolerated and will result in the termination of my being a volunteer. The KCUYC reserves the right to determine the definition of such abuses.

I also understand and agree that any and all materials that I design or create for use at the KCUYC as a volunteer will be the property of the KCUYC.

I have read and will comply with the above document in the event of my serving as a volunteer. My signature on this form does not obligate me to perform the volunteer services applied for, and the program is not obligated to assign, or actively seek to assign me to a volunteer position.

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

# THE KCUYC and OUR VOLUNTEERS WHAT A TEAM!!

## KC Urban Youth Center Mission and Vision Statement

The **mission** of the Kansas City urban Youth Center is to offer Christian hope, community, and wholeness to urban youth. We empower youth with resources to develop faith, character, knowledge and skills.

The **vision** of the Kansas City urban youth center is to build the community of God through youth in the urban core of Kansas City.

## Hopes and Expectations for our Volunteers

What you can expect from us

Based on our needs, we will place you in an opportunity that best fits your skills and interests.

You will be given clear guidance by a member of the Program Staff who will also answer any questions you have.

The opportunity to give feedback about the Kansas City Urban Youth Center experience and to receive feedback about your performance.

All personal information including applications, SSN, and performance reviews will be kept confidential.

What we expect of volunteers

We expect all volunteers to be a role model. This includes how we show respect to kids and other adults, how we handle ourselves in high stress situations, how we handle conflict, and how we prioritize our time.

We expect all volunteers to let the KCUYC staff know immediately if unable to make volunteer commitment. It is imperative in building trusting relationships that we are committed to being where we say we are going to be when we say we are going to be there.

We expect you to spend your time at our center in the pursuit of building relationships with students. This means we encourage you to eat with students, play games with them, and take every opportunity to talk to them about their lives.

We expect you to encourage reconciliation. In a society that is often focused on revenge, we strive to teach our students to live a life of grace.