

Over \$12,500 in Grants for Hamilton County Youth-Led Service Projects

**Youth as Resources of Central Indiana
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8 Easy Steps To Creating A YAR Project

1. Gather an adult project leader and at least three youth for your project team.
2. Obtain a non-profit sponsor for your group.
3. Research community needs.
4. Brainstorm project ideas that address an identified community need.
5. Attend a grant workshop to learn more about the application process.
6. Plan your project and create the budget.
7. Complete the online Youth as Resources grant application and submit it by the deadline.
8. Attend the grant screening to share your project idea with the Youth as Resources Advisory Board.



**Community Needs
Where Do I Start?**

- Look at existing data:
- www.connect2help.org
 - www.iyi.org/reports
 - www.doe.in.gov/data
 - www.in.gov/isdh
 - www.savi.org/savi
 - generationON.org

You may apply for up to \$1,000 in grant funds. Information on how complete the online grant application will be distributed at Grant Workshops. Youth and adult representatives from the applying group are encouraged to attend one of the workshop sessions.

Have a conversation with your principal, guidance counselor, mayor or spiritual leader. Contact local agencies to see what needs they might have.

What is Youth as Resources?

Youth as Resources is a United Way of Central Indiana youth development program that challenges youth to develop and lead community service projects that fall within our priority areas of Education, Income, Health and Basic Needs. Youth learn skills such as:

- Needs Analysis
- Grant Application
- Project Planning
- Budgeting
- Volunteer Management
- Fundraising
- Public Presentation
- Civic Responsibility

Grant Workshops

We're on the
Web!
www.uwci.org/yar

Three workshops are available prior to the Friday, February 5, 2016, 5:00p.m. Hamilton County grant deadline. Youth groups and adult leaders interested in developing youth-led community service projects are strongly advised to attend one of the workshops. We cover guidelines and procedures for applying, how to use the on-line system, and discuss developing fundable proposals.

♦Tuesday, November 10, 2015

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

University High School
2825 W. 116th Street
Carmel, IN 46032

♦Monday, November 16, 2015

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Noblesville Public Library
South Meeting Room
1 Library Plaza
Noblesville, IN 46060

♦Thursday, November 19, 2015

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Fishers Public Library
Center Meeting Room (F179)
5 Municipal Drive
Fishers, IN 46038

Workshop sign up:

<http://www.uwci.org/YAR>

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If you cannot attend any of the above workshops and would like to have a Youth as Resources representative speak to your youth group directly, please call Jill for an appointment. Limited spots available.

**GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE ONLINE
ONLY AND REQUIRE ADVANCE SIGN
UP TO GET A LOGIN ID.**



United Way
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HAMILTON COUNTY GRANT SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

Friday, February 5, 2016, 5:00PM

PROJECT IDEAS:

- Promote Drug / Alcohol Awareness education program for students
- Make and maintain a community garden to promote healthy eating
- Create a book group for young children to encourage reading
- Develop a mentoring program for incoming high school freshmen
- Read to or tutor younger children
- Set up a computer station and help people with resumes
- Coordinate a flag / dance team for special needs children
- Provide backpacks filled with personal care items to foster children
- Develop a food literacy program highlighting healthy food vs. fast food
- Host a fitness fair to educate students about importance of exercise

Project ideas are only limited by the community's need and your imagination!

