



**City of Los Angeles
Human Relations Commission (City HRC)
Youth Ambassador Cohort**

APPLICATION FORM

SECTION I

ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED.

STUDENT INFORMATION (Mandatory)

Student's Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

High School: _____

Organizations (school clubs, etc.) _____

Academic recognition (awards, honors, etc.) _____

Volunteer work: _____

Phone Numbers (mandatory)

Applicant:

(Home or landline): _____

Parent:

(Home or landline): _____

Applicant:

(Cell phone): _____

Parent:

(Home or landline): _____

Applicant:(Email
Address): _____**Parent:**

(Home or landline): _____

Student

Signature/Date: _____

Parent

Signature/Date: _____

ESSAY

Please answer the following questions:

1) In 300 words (typed or written) tell us (300 words is the minimum requirement): Why you would like to participate in the Youth Ambassador Program?

2) In 300 words (typed or written) tell us: What problems or issues currently exist in the community where you live? How would you help solve or change these problems if you could?

3) In 300 words (typed or written) tell us: How would you define leadership? Please provide an example of leadership in action and what it meant to you.

BONUS QUESTION (optional)

If you were to host a dinner party and could invite five leaders, dead or alive, who would they be and why?

IMPORTANT! Don't forget to provide the following with your application (Incomplete Applications will not be accepted):

RECOMMENDATIONS—Two (2) letters of recommendations from a teacher, guardian, employer, organization head, or any qualified adult that can tell us why you deserve to be a candidate. We want to hear examples of your passion, responsibility, and willingness to make a difference. Please make sure to have your recommenders write on their official letterhead and/or include their contact information. **ATTENDANCE RECORD**—An official record or notice from your school administration confirming your solid attendance record.

SECTION II

SURVEY TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN

The City of Los Angeles Human Relations Commission would like to determine financial needs in order to help make this trip affordable for all candidates. The survey responses are strictly confidential.

Please check all that apply:

- I am able to pay the full program cost of \$2,000 for my child's trip to Washington, D.C.
- I am able to contribute a portion of the cost, approximately \$_____.
- I need a partial scholarship or a minimum of \$_____ to make this trip possible.
- I am able to donate to help fund another student. I can donate \$_____.
- I am able to help with fundraising and/or volunteering my time or resources.
- I would like to serve as a parent chaperone for the D.C. trip Y/N
- I would like to join the parent board to assist with program support and expansion efforts Y/N

All parents or guardians, please answer the following:

- 1) I will arrange for transportation for my child to and from special events that are mandatory for the Y.A. Program. **Yes**____ **No**____
- 2) I am willing to provide feedback about the Y.A. Program for evaluations, marketing, public relations, public service announcements, and other promotional purposes. **Yes**____ **No**____
- 3) I am available to volunteer for the annual Y.A. GALA/Fundraiser event.

Parent or Guardian Full Name (PRINT):

Parent or Guardian Signature

Phone Numbers

(Home or landline): _____

(Work): _____

(Cell phone): _____

Important Dates:

Open Enrollment Begins February 9th 2016, Get Ready!

February 9th 2015 thru April 1st 2016: Open Enrollment
June 3rd or June 10th (TBA): Mandatory Orientation Breakfast, 8am-10:30am,
Location TBA.

Students that receive a passing score on their applications will be required to participate in a mandatory oral interview session.

Please submit your application as follows:

- 1.) Certified Mail (Postmarked on or before April 1st 2016)
- 2.) Email: Sheldon.Cruz@lacity.org (Subject: YA Application 2016-2017)

Attention: Sheldon Cruz, Y.A. Cohort Founder,
City of Los Angeles
200 North Spring Street
City Hall Room 2111
Tel: (213) 308-7609
Sheldon.Cruz@lacity.org



CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information regarding your interest in supporting and/or participating in the Youth Ambassador Initiative, please direct all questions and inquiries to **Y.A. Founder, Sheldon Cruz** at (213) 308-7609, or by email at: Sheldon.Cruz@lacity.org.