

The Minneapolis Youth Council

The Minneapolis Youth Council is a multijurisdictional advisory policy group that develops strategy recommendations and oversight for the Minneapolis youth workforce system. The Youth Council is instrumental in the design, development, and provision of services to help youth achieve successful transitions to further education and employment.

Roles and responsibilities of the Minneapolis Youth Council include:

- Coordinating youth services
- Serving as a catalyst for engaging all youth service entities in policy development and design of a comprehensive local youth system
- Developing youth portion of local workforce plan
- Volunteering to read and score Requests For Proposals and recommend program funding
- Recommending youth service providers to City of Minneapolis Employment and Training
- Strengthening linkages among existing youth services
- Bringing the youth perspective to the table

Membership may include:

- Minneapolis Workforce Council members with interest or expertise in youth policy
- Representatives of local youth service agencies
- Representatives of local housing agencies
- Individuals with experience relating to youth activities
- Job Corps representatives
- Parents of a youth eligible for youth programs
- Participants of a youth employment program
- Minneapolis Public Schools
- Private employers

The full Minneapolis Youth Council meets five times a year; January, March, May, September and November with optional attendance at the July STEP-UP Worksite Tour. Special meetings, including a retreat, may be called when appropriate.

Meetings start at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 10:30 a.m.

Meetings are held at different locations throughout the year.

For more information, or to apply to be a Minneapolis Youth Council member, please email Teresa Harrold at Teresa.Harrold@minneapolismn.gov or call 612-673-5119.