



Youth Leadership Program Application

What is MyPath?

MyPath is a national nonprofit based in the Mission District that helps youth and young adults get banked and build savings, credit and financial confidence. Because we understand that banking can sometimes be intimidating or confusing for youth, MyPath strives to improve the banking system to create more youth friendly policies. MyPath Youth Leaders help shape our advocacy work, choose and create a financial justice project and customize our financial curriculum, all of which impact youth across the country.

**The Youth Leadership Program is active July 2019-May 2020
All participants can receive a monthly stipend of up to \$111**

Youth Leadership Program Description

MyPath Advocates' New Economic Rights for All (New ERA): is a group of community youth leaders who focus on identifying solutions to support financial inclusion for youth. This means we work to educate, empower and organize with a goal to make concrete changes for youth around issues involving money. This group will be trained to make strategic decisions, facilitate meetings, and work on a creative financial justice project.

During the Summer, this group will meet other high school aged youth throughout San Francisco, build connections and have fun! We will also get to explore our own financial stories and see how our stories fit into the larger picture of financial access. During the school year, this group will focus on a financial justice project with key components including policy advocacy, and use of creative ways to address youth financial empowerment. We believe every youth deserves to have access to a SAFE bank account of their own. You will get a savings and checking account with a debit card, learn how to manage your money, gain knowledge about credit and learn concrete tools to establish and maintain good credit. You will work with a team of 21 other youth across the city, develop money management skills and make change through art and policy. You will learn how to publicly speak and how to facilitate large groups (ex: advocating at the state level for a legislative bill and designing a youth led creative financial project or youth-friendly financial curriculum).

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Program Responsibilities:

- Attend mandatory summer training
July 19th – Aug 10th
(Stipend when completed)
- Commit to attending after school
Weekly meetings **(4:30 PM – 6:30PM)**
on Tuesdays
- No more than two unexcused
absences from the program
- Commit to a minimum of **one year** in
the program (July '19-May '20)
- Be an exceptional representative
of MyPath by being engaging and creative
- Participate in at least 3 out of office events.

Program Requirements and Eligibility:

- Be enrolled in a SF High School
- Must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Be willing to be a community
leader
- Share your opinions and publicly
speak when needed
- Be on time for every meeting
- Demonstrate an engaging and
positive attitude
- Interested in financial justice

Please review the following **MANDATORY** application process below (**Steps 1-5**). If you have any questions about the application, or status of your application, please contact our office at (415) 206-0846 x 213 or contact Marcus @ Marcus@MyPathUS.org

1. Please submit your completed application to MyPath **no later than Fri June 7th, 2019**

Drop off

MyPath
1663 Mission Ave, # 602
San Francisco, CA 94103

OR

Email Application

Marcus@MyPathUS.org

OR

Apply Online

<http://bit.ly/MyPathApp>

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| 2. Application Review and Youth Interviews | June 10 th -June 28th, 2019 |
| 3. Application Status Updates | July 5 th , 2019 |
| 4. Parent Night & Youth Orientation | July 17 th 2019 - 6pm-7:30pm |
| 5. Youth Retreat | July 23rd & July 24th, 2019 |
| 6. Summer Training | Week of July 30th (1 day TBD)
Week of Aug 6th (1 day TBD) |

{All of the above steps are required to be accepted into MyPath's Youth Programs}

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Applicant's Basic Information:

First & Last Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Birthdate: _____/_____/_____
Month Day Year

Home Address: _____ City: _____, CA

Zip Code: _____

Parent/Guardian Language Spoken at Home: _____

Upcoming Grade (9th-12th): _____

Current School: _____ Upcoming School: _____

Current GPA: _____

1. Please tell us why you are interested in joining MyPath's Youth Leadership Program!

2. MyPath requires a minimum of 2 hours per week (on Tuesdays) plus additional (outside of meetings) workshop participation. What scheduling challenges might come up? Think of sports, other jobs, clubs, family trips, sibling responsibilities, etc. Please list all current and upcoming responsibilities/activities: (Please add dates and times)

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Application Agreement

I, _____ certify that:
Print First and Last Name Here

Check below:

___ I understand the purpose and the function of MyPath's Youth Leadership Program

___ I understand what is expected of me when becoming a MyPath Youth Leader

___ I have read and understood the responsibilities of becoming a MyPath youth participant and I am prepared to become a leader for MyPath

___ I understand this is a year long leadership program and not a drop-in program

Applicants Name: _____ Date: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

* Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

Essay Questions:

Please answer the following questions in paragraph form including complete sentences.

- 1. What does money mean to you and what role does it play in your life?

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2. What is one interest, hobby or engaging activity that you enjoy?

3. Why do you want to be involved with MyPath and what can you contribute to the youth leadership program?

4. In your opinion, what are some economic related issues your specific community or neighborhood faces? Give at least one example and thoughtfully explain how these issues impact your community.

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5. What qualities or experiences do you have that would make you an effective leader?

6. What is your learning style and how do you work best? (EX: do you learn better by listening, do you prefer to work hands on, or do you work best in a quiet or loud environment?)

7. How much financial education do you know? It is ok if you are not sure (EX: saving money, creating a budget, what is credit)

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