



WestSide Baby
basics for children in need

Youth Board Description

It is estimated that over 21,000 children aged five and under in King County live below the federal poverty line.

WestSide Baby, in partnership with our community, provides essential items to local children in need by collecting and distributing diapers, clothing, and equipment.

At WestSide Baby we value:

- Impactfulness- We have the passion and courage to do what matters and makes a difference.
- Empowerment- We move people to action.
- Sustainability- We make fiscally responsible business decisions and we make a positive impact on our environment.
- Integrity - We are ethical, honest, and decent.

You can find more information about WestSide Baby at <http://westsidebaby.org>

WestSide Baby is committed to creating a Youth Board that will share ideas and bring a new mind set to the table. As an organization, we provide for the youth of the community so the youth voice is essential to this cause.

Youth Board members will:

- Learn about the challenges that low income families face in our community
- Get to know the history and current model of WestSide Baby
 - This includes opportunities to volunteer & job shadow
- Partner with the Board of Directors and learn about decision making processes
- Bring youth voice to policy, funding, and decision-making processes and influence the work of our organization
- Be ambassadors for WestSide Baby in your schools and community
- Participate in projects of interest throughout the year
- Attend monthly Youth Board Meetings and a monthly workshop/training
- Reflect on the Youth Board experiences and help design the future of the WestSide Baby Youth Board
- Have the opportunity to attend a Board of Directors Meeting and report back to the Youth Board

Location:

Youth Board meetings will generally take place at WestSide Baby located in White Center 10002 14th Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98146

Time Commitment:

The time commitment for Youth Board Members is one Board Meeting and one Workshop a month: about 5 hours each month.

Timeline:

March 5: Youth Board Application Opens
April 5th: Youth Board Applications DUE
April 7-9th: Interviews
April 16th: Youth Board Members are selected
April 22nd: Youth Board Members attend 2018 CommuniTea event
May 5th: Youth Board Retreat 10am - 2pm
May - December: Monthly Board Meetings & Monthly Board Workshops
2019: TBD

We are looking for Youth Board Members who:

- Are ages 15-23
- Are curious, engaged and ready to get involved
- Enjoy collaborating with others
- Are passionate about providing children, babies, and families with the resources they need to thrive
- Represent the diversity of King County including race, religion, ethnicity, geographic location, language, gender, sexual orientation, and disability

Application

First and Last Name:

What is the best way to contact you? (phone, email, facebook, etc.)

Email Address:

Best phone number to reach you:

Most recent school you attended:

City / Neighborhood you live in:

Age:

Are you available to attend the CommuniTea on Sunday, April 22nd from 2-4pm?

Are you available to attend the Youth Board Retreat on Saturday, May 5th from 10am-2pm?

What times work best for you for Youth Board Meetings and Workshops/Trainings?

yes / maybe / no	Weekday Afternoons (2-5pm)
yes / maybe / no	Weekday Evenings (5-8pm)
yes / maybe / no	Weekend Mornings (9-12)
yes / maybe / no	Weekend Afternoons (12-4pm)
yes / maybe / no	Weekend Evenings (4-8pm)
other:	

Please write a brief paragraph stating why you are interested in joining the WestSide Baby Youth Board:

Why do you think it is important for babies and children to have access to diapers, clothing, toys, and safety equipment?

We are seeking Board Members who will bring diverse experiences and perspectives to our Youth Board, what unique contributions will you bring?

Will you need assistance to participate in the Youth Board (childcare, transportation, interpretation, etc.)?

A parent or legal guardian will need to give written permission for students under age 18 to participate, and a WestSide Baby representative will help make sure all policies are followed.

For more information please contact McInnis Woodland YouthBoard@westsidebaby.org, Mercy Budiansky (mercy@westsidebaby.org) or Roslyn Kagy (RoslynKagy@gmail.com)