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**Board of Directors – Youth Member**

# Basic Position Information

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| **\*Position Title** | Board of Directors Honorary Youth Member |
| **\*Purpose Statement** | This position serves as a non-voting member on the American Red Cross of Southwest Michigan Board of Directors to provide meaningful perspective toward strengthening our youth engagement and overall mission delivery.  |
| **\*Reports To: Job Title and Name** | Board Chair, Decker Hains |

# Position Description Information

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| **Development Opportunities** | • Community advocacy and service• Development of professional leadership and communication skills • Increase personal network • Team building with the Red Cross staff & volunteers and community partners • Exposure to service on a non-profit Board of Directors |
| **Key Responsibilities** | * Represent and advocate for Red Cross youth engagement
* Attend and participate in bi-monthly Board of Directors meetings
* Participate in at least one (1) bi-monthly Board Committee
* Optional opportunity for monthly 1-on-1s with various line of service leaders
* Help promote specific Red Cross programs and activities on social media and through personal network (school paper/newsletter, service club, etc)
* Support the development and implementation of at least one (1) youth engagement project
* Submit a summary report on Youth Board Member experience prior end of service term
* Possible presentations on Red Cross youth programs to internal and external partners
* Record activities and service hours in Volunteer Connection
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| **Time Commitment** | Minimum of 2 hours per month from October – June. The Youth Board Member will have optional opportunities to increase hours up to 10 hours per month, based on personal availability and interest. |
| **Qualifications** | * Must be a HS Junior or above
* Currently enrolled in High School or post-secondary education
* Proven strong academic and leadership performance
* Access to reliable transportation
* Evening availability
* Access to reliable internet with capacity to run Microsoft Teams
* Fluency with basic computer programs (Word, PowerPoint, Excel)
* Enthusiastic about Red Cross mission and programs
* Ability to connect with and mobilize youth (ages 16-24)
* Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion efforts
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|  **Length of Appointment** | One year appointment active from October - June, renewable annually based on successful fulfilment of position responsibilities. |