

Youth Leadership Development & Recognition Programs

The Triangle Nonprofit & Volunteer Leadership Center

The Mayors Award

The Mayor's Award Program gives youths aged 12-18 years old an opportunity to get involved in community service at area nonprofits during their summer vacations. Students must complete a set minimum number of service hours and receive positive evaluations from their supervisors.

Winners are recognized in a special award ceremony as well as having a photo shoot with the mayor. This program motivates goal-oriented students to volunteer, by giving them a specific number of hours to work towards, and then recognizes them for meeting that goal.

The Student Action Board (SAB)

SAB is a leadership training program that combines reflection and service to empower youth to have a significant positive impact on their community. Students make new connections, learn about different leadership styles, develop effective meeting techniques, and gain experience managing service projects at area nonprofits. Students meet monthly to plan and implement service projects that address community needs. Previous Mayor's Award winners and Junior Leadership Durham graduates are invited to apply. SAB nurtures the civic engagement these students have already demonstrated as well as providing a continuum of service.

The Tomorrow's Community Leaders Award Ceremony

This event honors students who receive the Mayor's Award, the Commissioner's Award and the President's Award, as well as the members of the Student Action Board.

Community leaders, including friends and family of the youth, attend this event to honor students across the Triangle who make a difference in their community. Last year, these programs were recognized for **over 45,000 service hours.**

The President's Award

This is the nation's premier volunteer service award encouraging a life of service through presidential recognition. Awards are issued for hours served within 12 consecutive months. Winners receive a letter from the President of the United States, a certificate and a gold, silver, or bronze pin based on service hours. The Center is the Triangle's local certifying organization.

The Commissioner's Award

The Commissioner's Award program recognizes the hard work of students who volunteer 50+ hours during the school year. Youth ages 12-18 may apply. Awards are issued for hours served between the first day and last day of the school year. 50 or more total volunteer hours must be completed during this time frame.

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Last year...

- Mayor's Award
30,563 Hours
- Commissioner's Award
4,156 Hours
- President's Award
15,366 Hours
- Student Action Board
4,597 Hours