

The **Volunteer Center of Southern Arizona** is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to strengthening communities through the power of effective volunteerism. The Greater Tucson Youth Leadership Program is a program of the Volunteer Center.



Community Partners

Greater Tucson Leadership (GTL) is a non-profit group dedicated to informing, educating and



sensitizing existing and emerging leaders to key issues affecting greater Tucson and to

encouraging public dialogue and involvement in the community. GTL has provided the model for the Youth Leadership Institute module of the Greater Tucson Youth Leadership Program.

Every Voice in Action Foundation – Every Voice in Action's mission is to ignite and support youth voice, infusing the community with the unique perspectives of young people.



Pima Community College has provided guidance to the Volunteer Center to ensure that students in the Greater Tucson Youth Leadership Program meet all college course requirements to receive Pima College credits for their work.



The **Arizona Blue Chip Program** at the UA is a leadership enrichment program. Students admitted to the program pursue an aggressive leadership development non-academic curriculum in addition to their declared majors. Arizona Blue Chip Students serve as mentors and leadership workshop presenters.



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Greater Tucson Youth Leadership is a program of the Volunteer Center of Southern Arizona in partnership with Pima Community College, Greater Tucson Leadership, the University of Arizona Blue Chip Program, Every Voice in Action Foundation and community leaders. The Greater Tucson Youth Leadership Program has two components of leadership training, the Youth Leadership Institute and the Youth Boardsmanship Institute.

Youth Leadership Institute

Fall 2006

Parent-Youth Orientation:

September 15

Overnight Leadership Retreat:

September 29 to 30
7 p.m. to noon

Saturday Classes:

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
October 7
October 14
October 21
November 4
November 11
November 18
December 2
December 9

Youth Boardsmanship and Philanthropy Institute

Spring 2007

Parent-Youth Orientation:

January 4

Overnight Training Retreat:

January 12 to 13
5 p.m. to noon

Saturday Classes:

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
February 3
February 10
March 3
March 10
March 17
April 14
April 21 –
Grant Award
Announcements

What is the Youth Leadership Institute?

Based on the Greater Tucson Leadership's issue-day model, the Youth Leadership Institute serves to inform, educate, influence, re-direct and create new leaders from a diverse cross-section of middle and high school students in Pima County. Courses are taught by qualified Volunteer Center of Southern Arizona staff members who are certified Community College Instructors.

The Institute's goals are to:

- educate youth about issues and potential solutions to our community's most pressing concerns;
- develop leadership skills; and
- increase community involvement.

Youth participants have the opportunity to:

- participate in a leadership program, which includes topics on community building skills, career development, ethics, education, government, volunteerism, criminal justice and public speaking;
- become engaged in service to address community needs through a class service project;
- earn Pima Community College credits; and
- demonstrate effective involvement in community issues by enrolling in the Youth Boardsmanship Institute.

Volunteer Requirements:

Each participant will be required to attend all classes and contribute to and participate in class service projects.

To receive a registration packet, call Dave Chandler at 881-3300 extension 111 or register online at www.volunteersoaz.org

What is the Youth Boardsmanship and Philanthropy Institute?

The Youth Boardsmanship Institute offers middle school and high school youth training on how to be effective board members.

The Youth Board Institute's goals are:

- building youth leadership skills;
- engaging youth in experience in community organizations;
- placing youth as board members for non-profit agencies; and
- helping youth develop a full understanding of philanthropy.

Youth participants have the opportunity to:

- become a board member for a non-profit organization;
- provide the board of directors with insight regarding youth and their perspective about needs in the community;
- gain valuable volunteer experience;
- earn Pima Community College credits;
- understand the role philanthropy plays in our community;
 - write a request for proposal (RFP); and
 - award \$20,000 to local non-profit organizations.

Volunteer Requirements:

Each participant will be required to volunteer at least five hours each month with a non-profit organization throughout the course of the program.

Board Meetings:

Once placed on a board, youth will be expected to attend all board meetings (usually once a month).



Problem Solving Project