



## ANYTOWN-KC

Anytown-KC is a week-long residential program for high school youth who are interested in learning about social justice issues and practicing their leadership skills to help make their schools and communities more inclusive. During the program, youth reside on a local college campus and participate in discussion groups, workshops, and experiential activities, to increase their understanding of themselves and respect for others. The program's purpose is to inspire a young generation of leaders who are willing and ready to dismantle the multiple forms of privilege and oppression to create more just and inclusive communities.

### Should you attend?

Anytown-KC accepts applications from youth who will be in grades 10-12 for the 2017-18 school year, or are between the ages of 15-18. If your answer to any of these questions is 'yes,' then we think Anytown-KC is the place for you!

- Is it important to you to be a leader in your school or community?
- Have you started a club or organization, or want to start one, about a diversity issue at your school?
- Have you been motivated to participate in a rally or protest in the past year?
- Have you witnessed, or been the target of, discrimination or bias?
- Do you want to learn more about social justice and inclusion?

### Becoming young leaders

Anytown-KC graduates return to their schools to take on new leadership roles in student government and other organizations. Others get involved with community-based organizations and city-wide initiatives, many of which are led by our volunteers. Students will learn about several opportunities throughout the week-long program.

### QUICK FACTS

- 5-day residential camp on July 9-13, 2017
- Takes place at Rockhurst University in KCMO
- Cost to attend is \$350
- Scholarships are based on financial need
- 30 students will be selected for the cohort of delegates
- 1:3 volunteer-student ratio

#### ANYTOWN PARTICIPANTS SAY...

*"I finally learned what it is like to have a real big family."*

*"I can safely say that Anytown was the single, most impactful program I experienced in my youth."*



## Sample Daily Agenda

- 8AM Community Circle/Breakfast
- Morning Program: introduction of concepts & theories
- Discussion Groups
- 12PM Lunch
- Afternoon Program: experiential learning activities
- Organized Fun Time
- 6PM Dinner
- Evening Program: experiential learning activities
- Discussion Groups
- Community Circle
- 11PM Lights Out



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## What do I need to do to attend?

The online application is available on our website. Applicants will be selected based on decisions to ensure diversity and representation of KC's youth. Decisions will be communicated by May 31. The application requires a paragraph response describing why you want to attend Anytown-KC and how your attendance will positively affect your community.

We are happy to make this opportunity available at a reduced price of \$350 per participant. The registration cost includes meals provided during the camp (3 meals per day), lodging, program materials, and a t-shirt. Payment is not required to apply. Instead, it's due after acceptance.

Because we consider socio-economic status as an important component of diversity, we don't want a young person to not apply because of difficulty with paying the registration fee. If this is your situation, please contact us to learn about scholarship opportunities that we hope to make possible from the generosity of donors.

**MISSION:** purpose is to inspire a young generation of leaders who are willing and ready to dismantle the multiple forms of privilege and oppression to create more just and inclusive communities.

**GOAL:** empower youth to be social justice allies and change agents in their communities.

**HISTORY:** founded by the National Conference of Christians and Jews in the 1950s. Kansas City held its first Anytown Leadership Institute in 1992.

