



YOUTH TASK TEAM

To West Elgin Council,

The Youth Task Team is a group of youth, community members and youth service providers in the West Elgin/Dutton Dunwich area looking to support youth initiatives. We currently have been allotted grant funds to help support youth initiatives in our community and reach our goal of increasing a sense of community for youth aged 12 to 19 by 10% in the West Elgin and Dutton Dunwich communities by 2024.

We are reaching out to request two youth to sit on the recreational committee. We are also requesting if there is not a youth present at a meeting, we would like the meeting minutes brought back to the Youth Task Team to share their opinions on how to make the event more youth friendly. The Youth Task Team would like to allot \$20,000 towards Rodney and West Lorne community events that are inclusive of youth. We'd like to include youth in the decision-making process to ensure the events have aspects geared to the interests of youth.

Our 2022 Youth Task Team goals include the following: helping agencies make decisions through a youth impact lens, increasing youth awareness of programming and support through communication, give youth platforms to share their voices, youth are participating within their community and have opportunities to increase leadership skills.

Our youth voice would be a great asset to your committee. We offer a variety of skills including adaptability from having to change to different learning methods, computer skills from online learning, and access to youth social media pages to share community events to get more involvement.

By allowing youth to be on the committee, you will gain the youth aspect to enhance community events. Youth would feel empowered by giving them a voice to share their creativity and energy. Together we can create community change, growth and promote the engagement of youth.

Sincerely,

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Youth Co-Chairs of the Youth Task Team