

**Yorkville Community Benefits Association**  
**(Formerly The Yorkville Highrollers Volunteer Firefighter Association)**

**CONSTITUTION**

December 6, 2021

**Article I        NAME**

The name of this organization shall be the Yorkville Community Benefits Association (hereinafter "The YCBA").

**Article II        PURPOSE**

Section 1 The purposes of The YCBA shall be to:

- A. Support the Yorkville Volunteer Fire Station, the First Responders and Anderson Valley Volunteer Fire Department in their efforts to protect life and property
- B. Support the continued presence of the Post Office in Yorkville
- C. Cooperate with public and private agencies and professional groups to further these purposes
- D. Solicit and receive funds for the accomplishment of these purposes
- E. Hold and support community-building events for the accomplishment of these purposes
- F. Offer the Community Center as a meeting room resource for the community to use
- G. Support the grounds and buildings that make up the Community Center- the fire houses, Community Room and Post Office
- H. Support graduating high school students who live in Yorkville, by providing a one-time scholarship for continuing education costs
- I. Preserve and record Yorkville history

Section 2 No part of the net earnings of The YCBA shall ever be distributed to or be used for the personal benefit of its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons. However, The YCBA may pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and reimburse for allowable expenses that further its purposes.

**Article III        MEMBERSHIP**

Memberships is open to all parties who reside or own property in Yorkville.

Yorkville is defined as the area within the outlines of mile marker 33.3 and Sonoma/Mendocino County line (mile marker 50) on Hwy 128, Fish Rock Road (mile marker 15.7), Mile Marker 5.35 on Mountain House Road.

Section 1 Officers

The officers shall be the President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. Terms shall be 4 years, staggered to allow continuity.

Section 2 Voting Members

There are 7 available voting member positions (in addition to the Officers). Expectations for voting members are as follows: regularly attend monthly meetings, participate in committee or other associated YCBA assignment(s). Voting member shall be elected by the majority of voting members. This number of voting members may be changed by a 2/3 vote of the voting membership. Term of a voting membership will be 4 years, staggered to allow continuity.

Section 3 General Members

General members are those who register for membership and who own property or reside within Yorkville.

**Article IV AREAS OF ACTIVITY**

The Fire District that The YCBA serves is primarily Yorkville. We will assist all Anderson Valley Fire District stations.

**Article V DISSOLUTION**

In the event of the dissolution of The YCBA, all debts and obligations shall be adequately paid and met as reasonably possible. Any remaining assets shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation or corporation that is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or religious and/or scientific purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

**Article VI OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, The YCBA shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

No part of the activities of The YCBA shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Association shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on any candidate for public office.

**Article VII AMENDMENTS**

Any member may propose an amendment to the Constitution or Bylaws to be considered and voted upon by the voting members and officers. Any proposed amendment(s), along with the date of vote, shall be presented in writing to the entire general membership for comments at least 30 days prior to the meeting. To be ratified an amendment will require a 2/3 majority vote of voting members and officers. Communications with members may be via electronic or physical means.

This is the current constitution approved and adopted by membership.

As amended In

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ . President

December 6, 2021

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