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The Courage to Lead!



2018 Youth Civic Leaders Summit (YCLS) Registration Open NOW!

The emerging generation of leaders will need greater confidence, creativity, and resilience to meet the challenges facing our world. Youth and adults are stepping up to use their brains, hearts, bravery, and compassion to generate hope and opportunity in their communities!

Leaders of all ages are invited to find and follow the "yellow brick road" of teamwork, action, and impact. Come explore "The Courage to Lead!" at YCLS 2018!

We hope the Summit, as a statewide leadership & citizenship energizer, will support you this winter in...

- Building cohesive teams among staff, volunteers, teens, and adult leaders in your county

- Connecting teens with opportunities to grow confidence, network, and reach for greater leadership challenges
- Developing volunteers through new experiences, roles, and leadership responsibilities
- Strengthening youth-adult partnerships on councils, committees, and teams

General Information...

- Counties can coordinate registration of one or more teams of teens/adults to attend. Registration is open until Feb. 1, 2018.
- Teams are made up of teens ages 14-18, and one or more adult team leaders (staff, volunteer, parent).
- Teams can represent a local club, council, after school program, community group, organization, community or countywide effort.
- Teams have a minimum of 3 members (1 adult, 2 youth) and a maximum of 10 members (2 adults, 8 youth).
- Open to MCB Youth (and adult leaders), 4-H members and non-4-H members; adults must be approved as 4-H chaperones by the event.
- Registration is \$160.00 (youth/adults). Limited financial assistance available for youth with financial need (scholarship application required).
- Youth Advisory Board Members (YAB) will attend free (registration paid by MCB).
- For the first 20 teams to register, the adult team leader receives a discount registration (\$100.00 off).
- Counties can set local team registration due dates in advance. Space is limited, so early registration is encouraged!

2018 Highlights...

- Summit welcome activities, with Lafayette County 4-H and Missouri Community Betterment youth leaders!
- Dylan Johnson, youngest staff member of the Missouri Governor's Office, and Carey Portell, "Stronger Than Yesterday" speaker from St James, MO!
- "First Impressions" and youth engagement best practices, with Wisconsin 4-H youth/adults!
- Team building and breakout sessions, with Mizzou Alternative Breaks, student experts on service-learning trips!

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We want to hear from you!



Have an idea, suggestions, comment? Share it with us! Your input is important to MCB, without it we cannot grow to be the best organization we can to help you and your communities!

- Saturday Night Team Talent Showcase, with Mizzou Collegiate 4-H!
- 3 workshop tracks, 3 recreation options, including the EDGE Challenge High Ropes Course!
- \$200.00 mini-grants for teams to plan and carry out projects in 2018!

Questions? Please contact...

E-mail: [Teresa Keller](mailto:Teresa.Keller@missouri.edu)
or call 660-383-1034

[Click HERE for Registration Forms](#)

Payment by check is due by **February 1, 2018**. Make check payable to: Missouri Community Betterment Educational Fund, Inc. and mail registration forms and payment to:

Missouri Community Betterment
P.O. Box 105997
Jefferson City, MO 65110

All adults will need to be screened & approved as YCLS chaperones prior to the Summit. The [Background Consent Form](#) should be **MAILED** directly to Sherry Grace: (please no scans or digital copies).

University of Missouri Extension
4-H Center for Youth Development
1110 S. College Ave.
Columbia MO 65211





2017 MCB Ambassador Award Recipient Judy Apperson, Salem

The Salem Area Community Betterment Association (SACBA) nominated Mrs. Apperson to receive the 2017 MCB Ambassador Award.

It was evident to the MCBEF board that Mrs. Apperson was more than deserving of this honor by the highly respected letters of recommendation received from her peers.

Judy has served on the SACBA Board of Directors since its inception and has served as Secretary from 2004-2017. She now serves as Vice-President and continues to be an integral part of the local organization. Her knowledge of Salem and dedication to making it a better place to live is

evident in her dedicated work.

SACBA owns, manages and maintains a complex that includes three buildings and a Farmers' Market pavilion. One of the buildings is used as a Visitors Center that includes a SACBA office, Chamber of Commerce office and Visitors Center. Judy has been instrumental in maintaining the SACBA office and making sure that all of the buildings are well maintained and utilized by the community. The SACBA buildings were acquired through several grant opportunities of which Judy played an integral part in reporting and assisting with the grant process.

Judy has been the backbone of the organization for a long time and continues to serve the Community Betterment Association with knowledge, integrity, and honor.

The citizens of Salem, MCBEF Board and Staff are happy to recognize Mrs. Apperson for her outstanding service to her community!



We want your Input.....

What would you like to learn more about? MCB Communities receive access to educational webinars each year and we would like to ensure the topics are relative to your needs. If you have an idea or specific area of interest you would like to learn more about, please let [Teresa Keller](#) know.



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