

YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP (YAG) APPLICATION

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Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Residential Address: _____
Mobile Number: _____
Other Contact Number: _____
Email Address: _____
Gender: _____

Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?	YES	NO
Do you or your family have any other cultural backgrounds?	YES	NO
Can you commit to monthly meetings?	YES	NO
Will you need transport to and from meetings?	YES	NO
Have you recieved and read the YAG Information Sheet?	YES	NO

Why would you like to be a part of the YAG?

What do you think are important issues for young people in Narrogin?

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What skills/qualities and personal values can you bring to the YAG?

To ensure the YAG is an inclusive representation of our rich and diverse Narrogin community, can you please tell us about any of the following:

Your involvement in sporting, community or cultural groups; volunteering you have done; interesting and unique experiences you have had; awards or certificates you have received; courses you have completed.

Please tell us any other interesting things about you.

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If applicant is under the age of 18 years:

Applicant Name: _____ **Parent/Carer's Name:** _____

Applicants Signature: _____ **Parent/Carer's Signature:** _____

**Once completed, please drop forms off to the YMCA front counter.
For any enquiries, please contact Brendan on 9881 2651 or brendan.firman@ymcawa.org.au**

Youth Advisory Group (YAG) Application Information

The Shire of Narrogin's Youth Interagency Group (YIG) is recruiting up to 10 young people, aged 11 to 25, to join a new Youth Advisory Group (YAG).

Members of the YAG will be consulted in a safe and respectful environment, where their voices will be heard on issues that are important to them and asked how they would like to make Narrogin a better place to live.

Being a part of the YAG is a great opportunity for young people to make a difference in their community, learn new skills, make friends and promote a positive image of young people in the Shire.

What is the YIG?

The YIG is a group of service providers and agencies whose main focus is to support young people who live in the Shire of Narrogin. These services are varied but include providing education & training, recreational & cultural activities, counselling, health & wellbeing support, and community programs/events.

What is the YAG?

The YAG is a group of young people with a broad range of experiences that advise the YIG. Being a member of the YAG provides an opportunity for young people to voice their views and opinions on issues that are important to them in the community and contribute to YIG decision making and planning.

Objectives

- Assist with the development of local initiatives and project inclusive to all young people
- Provide a link between young people and members of the YIG
- Establish a safe environment where young people can express their views and opinions
- Empower young people to participate in the development of community events

Membership

1. How to become a Member – Any young person, aged between 11-25, can apply to become a member by completing the YAG application. Consent is required if the young person is under 18 years of age.

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2. Our vision is for the YAG to be an inclusive representation of our rich and diverse Narrogin community. All young people are encouraged to apply.
3. Representatives from the YIG will determine final membership of the YAG.
4. Applications to the YAG can be submitted at any time. Membership will be determined each year, or as needed. Past YAG members are encouraged to reapply for a second year.
5. Members can withdraw from the group at any time.
6. Meetings will be held quarterly, with additional meetings being held as needed. The venue will be decided by the YAG and the Shire and/or the YMCA will provide food and refreshments at each meeting.
7. The YAG may need to be split into age-appropriate groups for some activities or topics of discussion.
8. Any young person (non-members) can be invited to observe and experience the YAG.

Training and Support

- YAG members will receive training and/or education in areas they identify, such as community engagement, mental health first aid, media, governance, networking, and public speaking.
- A representative from the YIG will participate in the YAG, as well as support the Chair of the YAG.
- A Youth Worker or suitably experienced YIG member will support the YAG to safeguard the members.

Transport

If a YAG member requires transport to and from meetings, the YMCA, or other agencies, can organise transport.

Code of Conduct

YAG members are expected to –

- Uphold the principles of respect, honesty, integrity, and inclusion
- Maintain confidentiality at all times
- Encourage participation by all members
- Engage in healthy discussion and share ideas and knowledge
- Work actively to resolve any differences and disputes
- Respect and value the diversity of all members.