

Candidate

Recruitment

Aged 16-25 and living in England or Wales?

Have you been impacted by violence directly or indirectly?

Ready to make a change?

If YES, we would like you to apply to join The Youth Endowment Fund's Youth Advisory Board.

We particularly want to hear from you, if you have lived experience of exclusion, contact with the police or youth justice services.

1. Who are the Youth Endowment Fund (YEF) and what is the role of the Youth Advisory Board?

The Youth Endowment Fund's [mission](#) is to prevent children and young people becoming involved in violence. We do this by finding out what works and building a movement to put this knowledge into practice.

We want young people to ensure we stay focused on what young people need and influence what we do as a funder to achieve our mission. The [Youth Advisory Board](#) (YAB) enables young people to work with YEF to address youth violence. You do not need any prior youth board experience.

Board members will:

- **Work alongside professionals from YEF** to provide advice and insights from a youth perspective
- **Influence decisions** about funding for organisations across England and Wales to prevent youth violence to help us find out what works
- **Co-produce communications and projects** in collaboration with YEF to reflect the insights of young people

To Apply you must be:

- Aged **16–25 years** who are living anywhere in England or Wales.
- Have been **affected by youth violence – either directly or indirectly**
- Have capacity to dedicate time monthly alongside existing responsibilities to YAB's work (up to 5 hours a month).

2. What will I get from being part of YEF's Youth Advisory Board?

- **Develop your knowledge, skills and experience** including leadership and public speaking skills.
- **Meet new people with** opportunities to connect with a wider peer network and a range of professionals with expertise in different areas and have a great opportunity to build your network.
- **Make a real difference** by involvement in developing new ideas and solutions that will benefit young people in communities across England and Wales.
- **Payment for your time;** £100 per month for each month you are actively engaged. We will work with each young person to make sure this is done appropriately, taking into consideration their individual circumstances. Where train travel is required, we will pre-book trains.

3. If I join, what will I have to do?

- **Take part in Advisory Board and Working Group sessions:** We anticipate commitment would be approximately five hours per month, including two hours attending a Board meeting per month (Wednesdays 5.30pm–7.30pm). There will be options to engage in other opportunities, and we'll work with you to identify those most aligned with your interests, experience and availability. Most of the sessions will take place online.
- **Take part in skills training:** YAB members will be given practical training to build key skills such as public-speaking, facilitation and chairing, interviewing and research techniques.
- **Present back insights and ideas** to the YEF and influential decision makers.

4. How do I apply?

All applicants should complete the online [application form](#) to provide your key information (e.g. address, date of birth, contact details and diversity information)

As a part of this form, you will be asked to choose **how you want to apply**. There are 3 options, and you can choose what suits you best:

- **In writing:** To apply in writing, you can complete written answers using the application form mentioned above
- **Video:** To apply with a video, you can create a short video (no more than 3 mins) to tell us who you are, why you want to join the Board and what you hope to bring to it.
- **Phone:** To apply by phone, you can select this option in the online form, and we will contact you to arrange a time to gather your answers by phone.

For video, please email files with your name in the subject title to:

hollie.hartley@youthendowmentfund.org.uk (Please use [WeTransfer](#) for large file sizes).

DEADLINE: Friday 28 February 2025

If you have any questions then please contact **hollie.hartley@youthendowmentfund.org.uk**

GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR APPLICATION!