

Young Ambassador

Recruitment Pack

The Young Ambassadors Programme



Too often, young people experience systems and services that have been designed and distributed without their consultation or collaboration - the Young Ambassadors programme aims to stop that.

The Young Ambassadors Programme, run by Young K&C, empowers young people to take an active role in shaping their community by engaging in decision making processes. Local young people, aged 15 - 21, will work with Young K&C to create authentic means of power sharing across Kensington and Chelsea.

Intro to Young K&C

Young K&C is creating a community of member and partner organisations working together to support children and young people in Kensington & Chelsea. Our approach brings together local voluntary organisations, businesses, and public sector organisations to provide targeted support for local children and young people.

We support our members by providing them with funding, networking opportunities, training sessions, partnerships, information sharing and more. We work on behalf of our members to develop long-term partnerships with businesses, public sector partners, individuals and major funders.

Core to our work is making sure the voices of children and young people are heard and acted on. We do this by facilitating local young people to be the decision makers in conversation that affect their lives such as the allocation of funding and development of local services.

Over the past 4 years, we have:

supported 120+ organisations | distributed £1.5m+ of funding | trained 220+ people

What You'll Be Doing:

- Research local issues: Gain a deep understanding of the challenges faced by young people in your area by conducting thorough research and surveys used to shape local services
- Distribute funding: Participate in the decision-making process for allocating funding to local projects that address the needs of children and young people
- Assess services: Evaluate the effectiveness and accessibility of local services for children and young people
- Create engaging content: Use your creativity to develop multimedia content that raises awareness and informs the community about local youth-related issues
- Design programmes and events: Collaborate with the community to design, implement and host programmes and events for the local community to enjoy

The Young Ambassador programme is led by you - meaning what Young Ambassadors want to research, design or assess is up to the young people on the programme.

What will you get as a Young Ambassador?

- Paid for your time: As an expert by experience you will get paid £13.15 per hour of your time
- Training and development: You get to pick the training and skills development you want to work on in this programme
- Networking opportunities: Build your professional and personal network to support your development goals
- Experience as a leader: Make impactful decisions and get a great reference for your CV

You will need to commit to a minimum of 2, 2-hour sessions per month from September to August. This includes training, activities, visits, assessments and research. There will be times where we get busier, particularly when we are distributing funds and there will be times where we are quieter as our Young Ambassadors sit exams.

Who can be a Young Ambassador?

Young Ambassadors are 15 - 21 year olds who live, study or play in Kensington and Chelsea.

You can be a Young Ambassador if you are:

- Passionate about issues affecting your community
- Responsible and reliable
- Creative and can think outside the box
- Team players who support their peers
- Looking for an opportunity to make a positive different

We believe that all young people should have access to becoming a Young Ambassador. To reduce any financial barriers to participation, Young Ambassadors are paid London Living Wage for their work.

We want to hear from young people who are often left unheard in conversations, including but not limited to:

- Young people from black and global majority households
- LGBT+ young people
- Care experienced young people
- Young people with special educational needs and disabilities

We want to make sure there is no barrier standing in your way to become a Young Ambassador. If there's something we can do to make the process easier or make you more comfortable, please do get in touch with Niamh via niamh@youngkandc.org.uk

Interested?

If you want to get involved, the application process is simple

- Apply <u>via the link</u> by 1 September: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2MBH3JZ</u>
- Be available for a quick phone conversation on week beginning 2 September
- Programme starts week beginning 9 September

If you have any questions, or want to find out more get in touch with Niamh via niamh@youngkandc.org.uk

