



Young Leaders in Civic Engagement

An AfSV Initiative

Alliance *for*
Shared Values



About AfSV

AfSV is non-profit organization serving as a centralized platform for collaboration and a unifying voice for cultural, civic, and service organizations associated with the Hizmet social movement in the United States.

Our Mission

Build reliable relationships in order to collaborate on substantial service projects that contribute to the benefit of society, and help promote universal principles to contribute to greater understanding and peace.

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What is Civic Engagement?

Civic engagement is the process of connecting individuals of diverse backgrounds in society to share common interests and work for the common good by addressing issues of public concern



Why Civic Engagement?

- Our communities and our democracy become more just and equitable when all people—individually and collectively—get involved and take action
- Nearly all issues affect youth, and many affect youth differently or uniquely. Young people can bring valuable perspectives to these issues and play an active role in shaping their future
- Youth engagement can lead to increased academic performance and improved social-emotional well-being. It helps young people build skills and networks.




Young Leaders in Civic Engagement Intro



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Recognition of Young Leaders

With this initiative, we hope to recognize young social innovators who are contributing meaningfully to society through civic engagement.

Supporting Young Leaders

As an umbrella organization for several institutions to form a nationwide network, AfSV has been working toward promoting community service, education and interfaith dialogue. With this initiative, we want to support young individuals who are working toward this goal.

Requirements

Participants must:

- Be high school or college students
- Live in the United States or Canada
- Have a mentor when submitting their proposal
- Apply as a group of at least 3 members



Mentorship

A mentor must be an adult professional with scholarly or practical experience in social responsibility and/or civic engagement projects.



Awards

\$3500

1st Place

\$2500

2nd Palce

\$1500

3rd Place

Examples of Projects



AFSV Youth Ambassadors

Receive consulting
on prospective
projects

Receive consulting
on participating in
local, national or
international
conferences and
events

Participate in
training and
professional
development
programs

Benefit from the
professional and
social networks of
AFSV and its
partners

Receive assistance
in grant
applications



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