



# 2022 YOUTH COUNCIL COMMUNITY SERVICE CONTEST

#FLCityYouth

**DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2022**

A photograph of three young people, two men and one woman, wearing light blue t-shirts with the word "VOLUNTEER" printed on them. They are outdoors in a grassy area with trees in the background. The woman in the foreground is smiling and holding a small potted evergreen tree. The man in the background is holding a shovel, and the woman in the middle is wearing gloves and holding a bucket.

Our future leaders are taking action in their hometowns to address local needs. The Florida League of Cities wants to help showcase these efforts through its annual community service contest.

## OVERVIEW

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We invite youth councils to submit current youth council projects that address a local need. Maybe it is volunteering at a community event, educating your fellow youth, or organizing a neighborhood or beach clean-up.

**The deadline to submit projects is Friday, April 15, 2022.**

## APPLICATION RULES

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The application packet must include:

- ① A written description in **500 words or less** that includes:
  - ▶ What the project entailed
  - ▶ What your objectives were and how they were accomplished
  - ▶ What needs the project served in your community
  - ▶ How the project helped the residents you served
  - ▶ How the project impacted your youth council.
- ② A letter of recommendation from the Mayor, Manager or a member of the Council/Commission.
- ③ Up to five photos depicting the event.

Your nomination will NOT be scored if missing any of the above.

The Florida League of Cities community service contest is open only to youth councils sponsored by a city, town or village government member of the Florida League of Cities.

The deadline for entries is Friday, April 15, 2022.

Judging will be based entirely on the youth council's submitted entry. The judges' decision is final, and all material received becomes the property of the Florida League of Cities, with permission to use it perpetually and universally, in any manner deemed appropriate by the League, with no additional compensation beyond the award money presented to the winner.

## SUBMISSION

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All work must be submitted through an online form available at [flcities.com/resources/youth-councils](https://flcities.com/resources/youth-councils).

Submissions that are emailed or mailed will not be judged.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS

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Winners will be announced in May 2022. Three projects will be selected as winners. Winners will:

- ▶ Be showcased on the League's website and social media platforms.
- ▶ Be recognized in press announcements and the League's Quality Cities magazine.
- ▶ Receive a monetary award of \$250 and a trophy/plaque.

**The League reserves the right not to award all prizes in any of the categories.**

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