

# *Youth Justice at a Glance*

## ***Who Are We?***

Youth Justice is a program offered through the City of Richmond Justice Services. Teen leaders use positive peer interaction to support their peers who are facing charges in the criminal justice system.

## ***How do We Do It?***

Teen leaders receive training in how to conduct hearings for their peers. They offer recommendations that help their peers learn accountability and avoid further involvement in the criminal justice system.

## ***What will I be expected to do?***

We expect you to commit to one year of participation. We will meet twice month (except during Winter and Spring Breaks) during a weeknight from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

## ***How do I get involved?***

It is easy to get involved. Simply complete this application and return it by the deadline. We will schedule you for an interview. If you are selected, we will send you the day and time for orientation and training.

## ***Is there anything else I need to know?***

If you have any questions, reach out to the Youth Justice Office at 804-646-6484. Our offices are open Monday-Fridays from 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.

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# Youth Justice Leadership Application 2024-2025

The goal of Youth Justice is to offer an alternative to traditional punishment by using positive peer interaction to ensure that teens who have committed minor offenses learn accountability, repair the harm caused by their actions, and receive the support needed to avoid further involvement in the criminal justice system. As a member of the Youth Justice Leadership team, youth are expected to exhibit integrity, commitment and accountability.

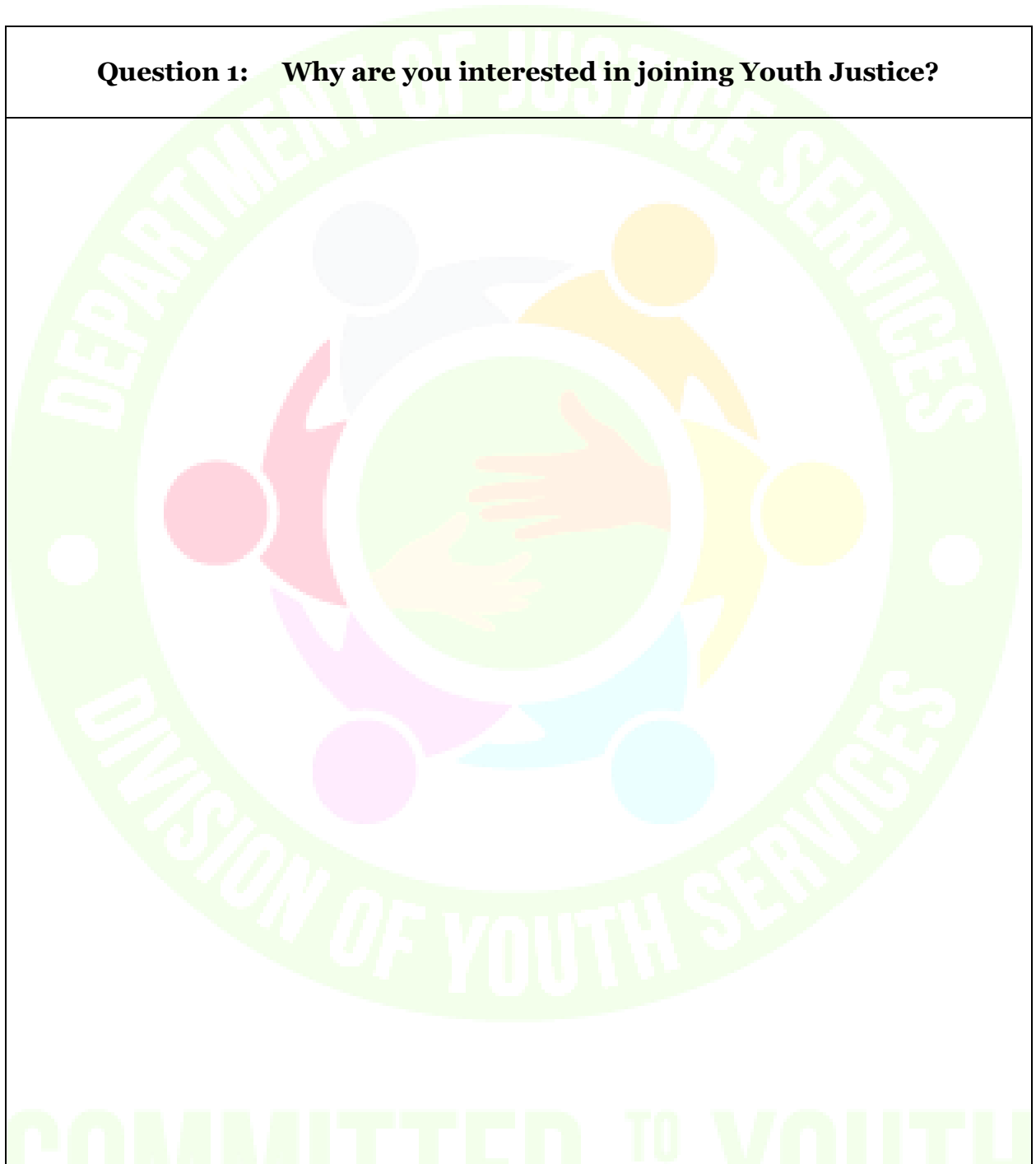
Email applications to [Erica.Wakefield@rva.gov](mailto:Erica.Wakefield@rva.gov)  
or return to The 730 Building, 730 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219

## PART 1 MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS

<u>APPLICANT INFORMATION</u>			
<b>First Name:</b>			
<b>Last Name:</b>			
<b>Mailing Address*: (NO P.O. Box numbers)</b>			
<b>Applicant Email:</b>			
<b>Date of Birth:</b>			
<b>School:</b>		<b>Grade:</b>	
<b>Parent/Guardian Name:</b>		<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Parent/Guardian Email:</b>			
<b>Best Number(s) to Reach <u>YOU</u>:</b>			

**PART 2 MUST BE COMPLETED BY NEW APPLICANTS**

**Question 1: Why are you interested in joining Youth Justice?**



The form area contains a large, light green watermark logo. The logo is circular and features the text "DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SERVICES" at the top and "DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES" at the bottom. In the center of the logo, there are stylized human figures in various colors (pink, purple, blue, yellow, orange) arranged in a circle, with two hands reaching towards each other in the center. Below the logo, the text "COMMITTED TO OUR YOUTH" is written in a large, light green font.

**Question 2: Please share with us the activities you are involved in at school and in the community.**



**Question 3: Everyone is unique in some way. Tell us your unique qualities, talents, and experiences.**



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**Question 4: If you could advocate for one issue related to teens, what issue would that be? Describe your solution to that issue.**



**Once your application is received, the Youth Justice Office will reach out to first-time applicants to schedule your virtual interview.**

For questions, reach out to Ericka Wakefield at [Ericka.Wakefield@rva.gov](mailto:Ericka.Wakefield@rva.gov) or

(804) 646-6484.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_