The City of Oakland seeks energetic, community-orientated youth members for the Planning and Oversight Committee (POC) of the Oakland Fund for Children and Youth (OFCY). This important Committee decides how to allocate 3% of the City’s unrestricted general fund revenues to support Oakland’s children and youth. The Committee is made up of 17 members appointed by the Mayor and City Council, at least 8 of whom are youth.

OFCY funded services focus on four legislative goals to: Support the healthy development of young children; Help children and youth succeed in school and graduate high school; Prevent and reduce violence, crime and gang involvement among children; and Help youth transition to a productive adulthood. For more information, please visit OFCY’s website: www.ofcy.org.

POC Youth Member Responsibilities:

➢ Attend monthly POC meetings (1st or 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.; intermittently there may be more frequent meetings)
➢ Serve on at least one POC subcommittee
➢ Read handouts before each meeting so you are prepared to participate
➢ Help select grantees each funding cycle
➢ Report to City Council Members and/or Mayor on your work
➢ Help recruit additional youth and adult members for the POC

POC Youth Member Benefits:

➢ A chance to participate in local government and influence how the City spends 3% of the City’s unrestricted general fund revenues on children and youth services in Oakland
➢ Meals provided at all meetings and retreats
➢ Free training and opportunities
➢ Looks great on your resume or college application

POC Youth Member Requirements:

➢ 14 – 20 years old
➢ Live in Oakland
➢ Ability to consistently attend POC meetings
➢ Enjoy reading and learning

How to Apply:
Please send an electronic copy of your resume/CV to ofcy@oaklandca.gov to be forwarded to Council staff for review and appointment. Additionally, fill out and complete the online application form on the City of Oakland Boards and Commissions website at: https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/boards-and-commissions-index/apply-to-boards-and-commissions

➢ Select Children’s Fund Planning and Oversight Committee from the list on the left
➢ Click on the green button labeled Apply