



*Youth and Young Adult Programs and Services
National Youth Council
Linking Youth to All Red Cross Services Contest*

National Youth Involvement Month 2008

Call for Submissions

The American Red Cross National Youth Council is proud to present the *Linking Youth to All Red Cross Services* contest in recognition of National Youth Involvement Month in November.

From September 4 until October 17, submit an essay describing a project recently implemented that involves youth volunteers in a Red Cross service.

The five most innovative and dynamic projects, one each from Service to the Armed Forces, Biomedical Services, Disaster Services, Health and Safety Services, and International Services, will be recognized during National Youth Involvement Month.

Recognition will include mailers to chapter executives, chapter chairs and volunteer managers. Stories about the winning projects will also be posted on redcrossyouth.org. So don't wait! Fill out your project plan now!

The essay and the completed forms should be emailed to:

Chanell Autrey

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Winners will be notified by the end of October. For questions, email Chanell Autrey at AutreyC@usa.redcross.org. To keep in touch with this and other Red Cross youth opportunities, subscribe today to Red Cross YouthWire at redcrossyouth.org.



Please fill out all requested information and share any relevant photos taken during project implementation.

UNIT NAME	
Unit Address	
Project Contact Name	
Project Contact Title	
Project's Youth Lead	
Project Contact Phone	
Project Contact Fax	
Project Contact Email	

Project Description

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In an essay, please describe the project implemented by your youth program and the Red Cross service it addressed. The description should be 300-500 words and should address the following questions:

- The name of the project or initiative.
- What were the project's main objectives?
- What was the target audience for the specific project or initiative?
- Why should this specific project be considered unique and innovative?
- What specific Red Cross service was integrated in the project? Does your chapter have a strong presence in this service?
- How did your chapter benefit from involving youth and young adult volunteers in this project? How many volunteers did the project or initiative mobilize?
- Please address the specific roles played by youth volunteers in planning and implementing the project.
- What was the main challenge associated with this specific project or initiative?
- Was there any publicity for the event?
- Did you partner with other community organizations?

Include any other relevant information that you feel would help us to assess your project (i.e. the support provided by the chapter's senior leadership).