

# OFPC 2010 Youth Membership Application

## 1. Oakland Food Policy Council Youth Membership Application Overview

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The Oakland Food Policy Council (OFPC) is now accepting applications for its first group of youth council members. The mission of the OFPC is to establish an equitable and sustainable food system in Oakland, California. The OFPC's goals cover each aspect of the food system, from production through resource recovery, and emphasize healthy food, healthy environment, healthy economy, and healthy choices. Please visit the OFPC website to review each of the goals in depth: [http://www.oaklandfood.org/mission\\_goals](http://www.oaklandfood.org/mission_goals).

The Oakland Food Policy Council is made up of representatives of all sectors of the food system, with 21 members representing the following "working communities":

- Business Community
- Labor Representatives
- Community Orgs. and Residents/Youth
- Rural and Regional Organizations
- Health and Education Organizations
- Local Governance

Oakland Food Policy Council members participate in five full-council meetings each year (on the third Thursdays of January, March, May, July, and September at 5:00 pm), and join two smaller workgroups that meet monthly. Workgroups include:

- Public-Private Partnerships
- Neighborhood Innovations
- City Innovations
- Regional and State Innovations
- Development and Outreach
- Fundraising and Financing
- Data Management and Research

Adult OFPC members serve three-year terms, and may re-apply at the end of their term. Youth OFPC members will serve one-year terms, and may re-apply at the end of their term. Term limits TBD.

Please submit your application by August 27, 2010.

Contact Alethea Harper, OFPC Coordinator, with any questions:

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You can also download the OFPC Membership Application as a Word doc or PDF file here:

[http://www.oaklandfood.org/home/apply\\_for\\_ofpc\\_membership](http://www.oaklandfood.org/home/apply_for_ofpc_membership)

## 2. Oakland Food Policy Council Youth Membership Requirements

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1. Oakland residence, enrollment in an Oakland school, and/or employment in Oakland, with a strong interest in the Oakland food system.
2. Attendance at each of the five yearly meetings of the full OFPC.
3. Attendance at 80% of workgroup meetings (average of one per month) for your chosen workgroup, and commitment to work between meetings.
4. Commitment to transforming the Oakland food system into an equitable and sustainable system.
5. Interest in the workings of one of the five food system sectors (production, processing, distribution, consumption, waste management) and one of the following "working communities":
  - a. Business Community
  - b. Labor Representatives
  - c. Community Organizations and Residents, including Youth
  - d. Rural and Regional Organizations
  - e. Health and Education Organizations
  - f. Local Governance
6. Respect for the complexity and sensitivity of the OFPC's work with diverse partners, and appreciation for the need for personal and group skills in diversity management, problem-solving, decision making, and "getting to yes".
7. Commitment to reaching out to a wide variety of people and entities within your chosen sphere of interest to ensure you understand their needs and what they have to offer.
8. Commitment to working in the public interest. OFPC youth members are expected to bring an open mind and interest in learning about the Oakland food system to the table for the benefit of Oakland, rather than to directly represent any organization they may be affiliated with, or a specific mind set.

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## 3. Contact Information

### \* 1. Contact Information

Name	<input type="text"/>
Birth Date	<input type="text"/>
Affiliation (school, program, job, etc)	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>
Telephone	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>
City	<input type="text"/>
Zip Code	<input type="text"/>

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## 4. School, youth programs, and jobs

How do you identify yourself within the following categories? Check all that apply.

### \* 1. School

In school

Not in school

### 2. If in school, my school is a:

Charter school

Oakland Unified School District school

University/College

Other type of school

List the name of your school

### \* 3. Youth program (participation not required; check all that apply)

Cycles of Change

PUEBLO

EBAYC

SOL

HOPE

Student Leadership/All-City Council

Oakland Food Connection

Youth Radio

OBUGS

Youth UpRising

People's Grocery

Not in a youth program

Other (please specify)

### \* 4. Employment (not required; check all that apply)

Summer job, related to food

Other job, related to food

Summer job, NOT related to food

Other job, NOT related to food

School year job, related to food

No job currently

School year job, NOT related to food

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## 5. Demographic Information

Please provide basic demographic information here.

### \* 1. Gender

Female

Male

Transgender

Decline to State

Other (please specify)

### \* 2. Age

13-18

19-22

23-25

### \* 3. Ethnicity/Race (check all that apply)

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

White

Hispanic or Latino

Other (please specify)

### \* 4. Disability: Check "Yes" if you have a disability as designated by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

Yes

No

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### \* 5. Link to Oakland (Check all that apply)

- Live
- Work
- School Attendance
- Youth Program Participation

## 6. Food System Sectors

Which sector(s) of the food system interest you the most?

### 1. Food System Sectors

- Production
- Processing
- Distribution
- Consumption and Marketing
- Waste Management and Resource Recovery
- Other (please specify)

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## 7. Support information

Information about your mentor, and parent/guardian information for those under 18

### \* 1. Do you have a mentor?

You should have an adult mentor who work with you while you are seated on the Oakland Food Policy Council. This person should be available to accompany you to meetings if you wish, and to guide you through the experience of participating on the OFPC. If you need us to help you find a mentor, please check the box next to "I need a mentor".

I have a mentor

I need a mentor

### 2. If you have a mentor, please provide their contact information here.

Mentor Name	<input type="text"/>
Title	<input type="text"/>
Affiliation	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>
Telephone	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>
City	<input type="text"/>
Zip Code	<input type="text"/>

### 3. Parent or Guardian Contact Information, if you are under 18 (If you are selected for a seat on the OFPC and you are under 18, your parent/guardian will need to sign permission forms.)

Parent/Guardian Name	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>
Telephone	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>
City	<input type="text"/>
Zip Code	<input type="text"/>

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## 8. Long-Answer Questions

Please provide your thoughts below.

\* 1. Why would you like to be an Oakland Food Policy Council member?

  

\* 2. Why do you think you will bring to the Oakland Food Policy Council?  
(Interests, skills, experience, and other strengths)

  

\* 3. How do you feel about food? What would you like to change about the food you see in Oakland?

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## 9. Commitment

Making the commitment

- \* 1. Membership on the Oakland Food Policy Council will require attendance at all meetings of the full council (5 per year), and participation in at least one "working group" that will meet more frequently. Will you be able to make this time commitment?

Yes

No

- \* 2. OFPC members are selected based on their skills, experience, and commitment to transforming the Oakland food system, and are asked to serve in the public interest, rather than to directly represent any organization they are affiliated with. If seated on the council, will you be able to serve in the public interest, and recuse yourself from discussion topics if you have a conflict of interest?

Yes

No

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