



# YMCA Volunteer Opportunity and Job Description

## Community – Youth Action Program Leader

**Locations:** YMCA Health, Fitness & Aquatics Centres and Schools across the Niagara Region.

### **Purpose:**

To provide assistance in leading games and activities for children and youth participating in Youth Action recreational programs. Volunteers can help people grow in many ways that are consistent with the YMCA's mission of building body, mind, and spirit.

### **Expectations:**

- To appreciate and support the YMCA values, mission and vision.
- To demonstrate energy, dedication and enthusiasm.
- To appreciate and desire to generously serve all.
- To thrive in an atmosphere of change and ambiguity.
- To work as a member of a team.
- To achieve planned results through personal initiative.
- To model commitment to service excellence and quality.

### **Responsibilities:**

- To provide assistance in leading recreational activities such as swimming, crafts, active games and special events (depending on program).
- To build positive relationships with participants.
- To be in YMCA dress code (volunteer t-shirt and black bottoms).
- To follow all YMCA policies including the Child, Youth and Vulnerable Person Protection Policy and Procedures.

### **Qualifications:**

- Previous experience with children and youth an asset but not required. Training will be provided.
- Patient and caring attitude.
- Energy, enthusiasm and flexibility.
- 18 years of age or older.
- Current Criminal Reference Check (issued within the last 12 months) will be required.
- Interview and 3 references will be required.

### **Time Commitment:**

2-3 hours per week.

### **Training and Support:**

Volunteer orientation inclusive of relevant YMCA Policies and Procedures.  
Supervision and support from YMCA staff, Team Leader and Program Coordinator.

### **To Apply:**

Complete a volunteer application form and drop it off at your local YMCA Health, Fitness and Aquatics Centre or email [volunteer@niagara.ymca.ca](mailto:volunteer@niagara.ymca.ca)

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For more information for this and other opportunities at the YMCA of Niagara please visit our website:

[www.ymcaofniagara.org](http://www.ymcaofniagara.org)

## YMCA of Niagara

The YMCA is a charity dedicated to building healthy communities.

The YMCA of Niagara delivers programs in Health & Fitness, Community Outreach, Child Care, Day Camp and Employment & Newcomer Services throughout Ontario's Niagara Region.

We are committed to nurturing the potential of children, youth and families, promoting healthy living and fostering social responsibility within the community.

Operating from 112 sites across Niagara, and supported by 1,500 employees and 840 volunteers annually, the YMCA has a positive impact on the health of over 92,000 individuals annually.

Our focus on inclusiveness and accessibility means we serve people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities through all stages of life. Through the YMCA Strong Kid campaign, the YMCA is accessible to all.

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