

# Youth Preparedness Council 2021



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**Youth  
Preparedness  
Council  
(YPC)  
Application  
Period**

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**Stakeholder  
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Session**

FEMA created the Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) in 2012 to bring together **young leaders** who are interested in **supporting disaster preparedness** and **making a difference** in their communities, by completing disaster preparedness projects nationally and locally.

YPC members meet with FEMA and other federal staff throughout their term to **provide input** on strategies, initiatives, and projects. YPC members selected during the YPC application period also attend the annual **YPC Summit**.



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# Background



- The 2021 application period is from **January 18 to March 7, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. PST.**
- Each year, FEMA's Individual and Community Preparedness Division (ICPD) facilitates the YPC application period to select both National and Regional YPC members. With the FEMA Regions, we:
  - Promote the YPC
  - Review and evaluate applications
  - Interview semi-finalist candidates
  - Select new members for the YPC



# Background

ICPD selects the National YPC members, while Regions select their YPC members from the same pool of candidates.

National YPC members are from all over the country.

**Applicants that are not selected for the National YPC may be considered for a YPC in their FEMA region.**

- The National YPC has 15 members. We will be selecting **eight (8)** new members this year.
- The number of positions available in Regional YPC's varies each year.
- The application can be found online at <https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/apply-to-ypc>.

# Timeline

DATE	ACTIVITY
January 18, 2021	Application Opens
<b>February 18, 2021</b>	Potential applicant information webinar
March 7, 2021	Application Closes
March - April	Application Review Period
May - June	Selection Notification
June - July	New Members Announced Via Press Release



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# Application Portal

## User Account and Login

The [YPC Application](#) website provides easy and organized access to resources and accounts for YPC applicants.

### Welcome Back

Disaster preparedness, response, and recovery is a whole community effort. Login to access curated content, get involved with our preparedness programs, and connect with your community.

Email

Password

Login

Forgot your password? [Change password](#)

Don't have an account? [Register now](#)

Are you a CERT Coordinator or YPC Reviewer? [Login here](#)

## Application materials required:

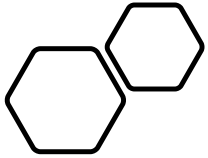
- One (1) online or PDF application form
- One (1) video response (if applicable in place of written narrative responses on the application form)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- Academic records (e.g., report card, transcript) from the current (2020-2021) school year (may be unofficial)
- Academic records from the previous (2019-2020) school year
- Any optional supplemental materials you'd like to provide

# Interviewing

- ICPD will notify applicants whether they have been selected for a semi-finalist interview in approximately April – May.
- ICPD and the Regional staff will conduct 30-minute interviews using either Zoom or a phone interview if Zoom is not available.







# Notification

- ICPD will send email notifications to non-selected members, semi-finalists, and selected members.
- Semi-finalists who are not chosen for the National YPC may be considered for their Regional or State YPCs.
- ICPD will notify applicants of their decision in approximately May 2021.



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