



Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference 2021-2022 Permission to Participate

PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE (Valid June 1, 2021 - May 31, 2022)

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to be spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and health officers have required or recommended social distancing and, in some instances, have prohibited or limited the congregation of groups of people. (I)/(We), the undersigned parent/guardian of _____, a minor, give permission for him/her/they to participate in a Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference Education or Community Engagement Event with a fingerprinted adult lead. Due to the guidelines set by the state and local governments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference has introduced rigorous safety guidelines and protocol with participant and staff safety as the number one priority. Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference cannot prevent your children from being exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in an Education or Community Engagement Event.

The health and safety of our participants is our top concern, and participants will be required to adhere to the attached Guidelines for participating in a Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference Education or Community Engagement Event. (I)/(We), the undersigned, understand the possible risk and give permission for my child, a minor, to participate during the current state of emergency with Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference and their partner agencies, and will not hold Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference liable if said minor, or anyone else living with minor, becomes ill within 14 days of participating. In addition, by signing this agreement, I understand and acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child may be exposed to or infected by COVID by participating in the Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference activity and while being transported to and from said activity.

_____ Parent/Guardian Name	_____ Date
_____ Parent/Guardian Signature	_____ Date



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Guidelines for Participation In a Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference Event During COVID-19 State of Emergency

Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference understands that during this worldwide pandemic, people who are healthy want to safely participate in activities. In response to this, Hands4Hope will be providing some group activities for youth to participate in. In order to provide these services, all participants are required to follow critical health and safety protocols to protect other participants and staff members. Please take a moment to read through the guidelines below before participating with Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference.

Volunteer Guidelines:

DO NOT participate if in the last 14 days you:

- showed any symptoms related to COVID-19 as identified by the [Centers for Disease Control](#)
- Have been around anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19
- Been to an event with more than 250 people

DO NOT participate if you live with, or are in frequent contact with people in higher-risk categories for contracting the virus (People who are: unvaccinated, over 65 years of age, people with immunodeficiency, and/or have underlying health issues).

DO NOT participate if you are not comfortable with the task being asked. Please ask our Hands4Hope staff about possible risks associated with the task before any event.

DO take the precautions listed below:

- Clean and wash your hands for 20 seconds before, during (if possible), and after participation. If soap and water are not available to wash your hands, use a hand sanitizer and be sure to cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry. **DO NOT** wipe dry.
- Maintain a six foot distance and avoid any physical contact with other participants and staff members.
- Cover your cough and sneeze with your elbow or a tissue and wash or sanitize your hands each time.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

Vision: A community of civic minded and socially responsible citizens for generations to come

Mission: Inspire and empower youth in leadership and service

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- Use proper personal protective equipment provided by the organization (gloves, etc)...
- Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference Masks Guidelines (June 15)
 - Masks required:
 - In cars when transporting youth and vaccination status is unclear
 - Inside all venues, if not fully vaccinated*
 - Masks not required:
 - At outside activities (meetings, community engagement events, etc.)
 - Inside all meeting, event, and community engagement venues if fully vaccinated*
 - Proof of vaccination:
 - Hands4Hope will not require proof of vaccination, we will let people “self-attest” that they are in compliance.
 - Please review the [California Mask Guidelines](#).
 - If participants do not wear a mask, this will be seen as a self attestation for being vaccinated.

**Hands4Hope - Youth Making A Difference reserves the right to require face masks for certain events, when working with an at risk population.*

Thank you for your support as we modify our outreaches to protect the health and safety of everyone involved. If you have any questions, please contact us at info@hands4hopeyouth.org.